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Coffee brought into America in one year
\$ 5,000,000 worth

sugar 70,000,000 lb. annually

\$ 300,000 annually paid for Leghorn

175,000 dollars in imported cigars annually

6,500,000 for silks -

6,000,000 lb. of Tea brought in annually -

Expenses of the Government

1825	—	\$ 11,490,959	} average 12,575,479
26	—	13,062,316	
27	—	12,652,095	
28	—	13,296,011	
			50,201,911 Adams Administration

1829	—	\$ 12,660,460	} average 18,222,292
30	—	13,229,533	
31	—	13,864,067	
32	—	16,516,388	
33	—	22,713,756	
34	—	18,425,417	
35	—	17,514,950	
36	—	30,868,164	} Jacksons Ad. 145,792,735

1837	—	39,164,745	
38	—	40,427,218	
39	—	31,815,000	
			111,406,955 2 yrs. Van Buren

average 37,135,651

	born	deceased	aged
George Washington	Feb. 22 1732	1799	67
John Adams	Oct. 19 1735	1797	62
Thomas Jefferson	Apr. 2 1743	1826	83
James Madison	Mar. 5 1751	1836	85
James Monroe	Apr. 2 1758	1831	73
J. Q. Adams	July 11 1767	1848	81
Andrew Jackson	Mar. 15 1767	1845	78
W. H. Harrison	Feb. 9 1773	1841	68

		1849	Ab. Kussler
E. N. Powell	15 lb.	10 lb. 8 oz	
Bin. 20	7 Barrels	11 - 4	
1/20	9	16	

"I consider that woman to be most estimable, who, while she brings into the world all the charms of society that is to say taste, grace, and genius knows at the same time how to guard her reason, and her heart against that insidious vanity, that false sensibility, that violent self-love and from all those affectations, which spring up from an insatiable love of society, who against her inclinations, submit to custom and usages because it is a necessary part of wisdom; and does not in the mean time, lose sight of nature, but, still sometimes turn herself towards reflecting upon what is natural at least to honour it by her regrets.

I consider that woman to be estimable, who in cultivating philosophy, and letters, loves them for their own sake, and not for a vain and frivolous reputation who by the study of good books endeavours to enlighten her understanding by the knowledge of truth, to strengthen her mind by principles, and leave others the jargon, the words, and the parade; in short her who will not care a worthless person because he happens to have

a credit, and as name, but at the hazard of displeasing, determines in her house and out of it to preserve her esteem for virtue, her contempt for vice, her sensibility for friendship, and in spite of passion for an extensive society dares even in the midst of that society, have the courage to publish a mode of thinking so extraordinary, and the still greater courage to act to it."

Queen Caroline.

proving Butter

Take 2 parts of hot common salt
1 part sugar and 1 part saltpetre
Take one ounce of this composition
for one pound of Butter work it
well into the mass and close it
up for use - it should stand

3 or 4

3 or 4 A writer in the National Intelligencer says that spirits of hartshorn is a certain remedy for the bite of a mad dog. The wound, he adds, should be constantly bathed with it, and three or four doses, diluted, taken inwardly during the day. The hartshorn decomposes, chemically, the virus, insinuated into the wound, and immediately alters and destroys its deleteriousness. The writer, who resided in Brazil for some time, first tried it for the bite of a scorpion, and found that it removed pain and inflammation almost instantly. Subsequently, he tried it for the bite of a rattlesnake, with similar success. At the suggestion of the writer an old friend and physician tried it in cases of hydrophobia, and always with success.

Primitive Physic

St. Anthony's fire

Take a glass of tar water, warm in bed, every hour washing the part with the same

Spitting Blood

Take two spoonfuls of the juice of mistles every morning and a large cup of decoction of mistles at night for a week - or a tea spoon of fine salt every three hours, till it stops

Vomiting Blood

Take two spoonfuls of mistle juice

Wind cholick

Parched peas eaten

Cramp

tie a garter smooth and tight round your knee on going to bed

Deafness

put a little salt into the ear, or drop a tea spoonfull of salt ^{in it} water

Eyes Bleared

drop the juice of crop apple into it

Blood shot eye

Apply rags dipped into cold water two or three hours

Blindness

is often cured by cold bathing, or by electricity.

Weak sight

Drop in two or three drops of juice of rotten apples often

Eyes inflamed

apply a poultice of wormwood leaves with the yolk of an egg

Eye water

Boil lightly one tea spoonful of white copperas scraped and 5 spoonful of white salt in three pints of spring water when cold bottle it in large vials without straining take up the vial softly and put in a drop or two morning and evening it cures pearly humors and often blindness itself

Anothe

Take six ounces of rectified spirits of wine dissolve it in one drachm of camphire then add two handfulls of dried elder flowers in 24 hours after it is infused it is ready for use with your fingers both your forehead over your eyes and each temple several times morning and evening and 3 more in the day when time does a soft rag in dried small beer milk warm both the each eye a dozen times gently morning and evening

Phlegm

Take a spoon full of worm water the first thing in the morning

Flux

Remove the smoke of turpentine cast on burning coals

Gravel

eat largely of spinach

Bite of Mad Dog

plunge into cold water daily for twenty days and keep under as long as possible
or mix a pound of salt with a quart of water squeeze both and wash the wound with it for

an hour then bind safe on the wound
for 12 hours.

Menses Obstructed

Take a $\frac{1}{2}$ pint of strong decoction of
pungent royal every night on going to
bed

Menses profuse

Drink nothing but cold water with
a spoonful of flour stirred in at
that time drink a glass of the
coldest water and apply a thick
cloth dipped in cold water

Nettle Rash

Rub the part strongly with parsley

Inward Piles

Swallow a full of pitch fasting
on a large leek —
or take ~~two~~ in a day as much as
lies on a shilling the thin skin
of walnuts powdered

Violent Bloody Piles

Lightly bail juice of nettles
with a little sugar take e.g.

Pleurisy

use a decoction of nettles and
apply the boiled herb hot as a
paraffin — or a plaster of flour
of brimstone and white of an egg
a pleurisy is a fever attended
with a violent pain in the side
and a pulse remarkably hard

Toxin Poisoned

poisoned with arsenic dissolve
a quarter of an ounce of salt
of tartar in a pint of water
and drink every quarter of an hour
as much as he can till cured

Polypus in the Nose

Powder a lump of alum and
snuff it up frequently till
dissolve powdered alum in brandy
dip lint therein and apply it on
going to bed

Tooth ache

apply an artificial magnet

To draw out Thorns, splinters
Bones to

apply with the roots and salt-
or turpentine spread on leather

Stop Vomiting

Apply a large onion slit across
the grain to the pit of the stomach

Bloody Urine

a decoction of yarrow —

Worms

Take two spoonfuls of Brandy sweet-
ened with loaf sugar —

a child may be known to have the
worms by chollers, pockmarks, hollow
eyes, itching at the nose starting
in sleep and an unusual stink-
ing breath

Inward Wounds

immerse garrow twelve hours in
warm water take a cup of the
four times a day

Cold Bathing

cure young children of
convulsions

cutaneous inflammations, pimples, scabs
gravel

Inflammation of the ears, naval and mouth

Rickets

suppression of urine | vomiting
want of sleep

It promotes the growth of Hereditary

Apoplexies	{	Keine evil
asthmas		Melancholly
Blindness		Palsies
consumptions		Rheumatism
Deafness		stom
gout		

No. 1.

E. mita Herb

3 preparation No. 1. Reduce the seeds
to a fine powder 1/2 oz. of this powder
or a large spoon full. with the same
quantity No 2. made fin. put it
in a gill of No 6. adding a tea spoon
full of Umbil. kept close stopp'd
in a bottle for use

give No. 1. to clear the stomach
No 2 to create a heat in the stom-
ach. then No. 3 for cancer. then follow
it with No. 4 and 5 to correct
the bile and restore digestion

No 2.

Cayenne. red, peppers
ginger. Black pepper. —
ginger is a preventive of disease
by chewing when attending on the
sick

No. 3

Bayberry or catulberry
White Red Lilly - the root.
Rumlock. Marsh Rose Mary
Carmack the bark leaves & berries
with Haze. the leaves. Red raspberries
the leaves. Squaw weed. Indian name
cocash or frost weed a meadow
scabish

No. 4

To correct the bile and
restore digestion. Bitter herb or
salmony. Poplar bark. Warberry
bitter root. Golden Seal -

No. 5. Syrup for the dysentery
to strengthen the stomach and
bowels. Bayberry. Poplar bark
peach nuts cherry stones sugar
and brandy.

No. 6. Rheumatic Drops. to remove
pain prevent mortification and
promote a natural heat—
gum myrrh. spirit of turpentine
gum camphor —

Nerve powder

Until a half tea spoon full
in hot water sweetened —

Wormwood — is good to excite
an appetite assist the digestion
— powdered and tinctured in
spirit is good for a bruise or
sprain —

Bitter sweet. the bark of the
root with chamomile and
wormwood makes an ointment
for a bruise sprain collar
swelling or for corns —

Mullein is good to bring down
swelling to restore contracted
swelling by pounding and applying
warm —

Burdock the leaves withed and
applied to an external injury
will allay inflammation
ease pain —

No 6 Take 1 gal. of fourth
proof Brandy one pound of gum
myrrh. powdered pine are as much
as No 5. put it together for 26
days and shake it well every day

Composition powders

Take 2 lb. of Bayberry root bark
1 lb. of the inner Bark of Shimbark
1 lb. ginger. 2 oz. cayenne 2 oz. cloves
all pounded fine and well mixed
together

Cough powder

Take four tea spoons full of Skunk
cabbage 2 of Starhanded one of
wakerobbin 1 of No. 1. 1 of No 2.
one of Bayberry bark one of Bitter
root and one of Silver powder all
made fine and mixed together

Solve

Take one pound of But wax one
lb. of Salt Butter one and a half
of turpentine 12 oz of Balsom-fir
melt and simmer them together
strain it off in a bason for use

Strengthening Plaster

Take Burdock leaves & mullein
leaves trim and bail them in
water. then squeeze the juice
out and boil it to the thickness
of molasses. then add 3 parts of
Resin and one of turpentine. and
simmer well together till all
the water is evaporated. then
work it well like shoe-makers
way. spread it on leather
for use

Volatile Salts

Take Crude Sal Ammoniac 1 oz
perlash 2 oz. pound each by itself
mix them well together close stopp'd
in a vial for use. by dampning with
spirit will increase the strength

Nerve Ointment

Take the bark of the roots of Bitter
sweet 2 parts of wormwood and
chamomile each equal ~~parts~~ one
part. put it in any soft oil
simmer it over a slow fire
for 12 hours then strain off
and add one ounce of turpentine
to each lb. of ointment.

Poultice

Make a strong tea of Raspberries
leaves or of No. 3; take a cracked
pounded fine and slippery elm
bark pulverised with ginger

Injection

tea cup full of No. 3. strain it
off, when hot add a $\frac{1}{2}$ tea spoon
full of No. 2 and a tea spoon full
of No. 6 when cool enough to
give add a half tea spoon No. 1.

Bloody flux

Symptoms — stools slimy & bloody
with severe pain

Cure — Take linseed oil — for
an adult $\frac{1}{2}$ tea cup full — in
proportion to age

Nervous tooth Ache

plaster on the temples of Green Galtana
um — plaster of Burgundy pitch on the
back of the neck. repeat &c

The Chinese History says
that their first king reign
corresponds with the age of
Noah - of his matter being
inured with a rainbow
and preserving 7 clean animals
to sacrifice to the great spirit
and that the sky fell on the
earth and deluged the race of
men - Noah was the first
delusion man consequently with-
out father to the rainbow is
connected with the history
he took animals in by seven

Chinese history speaks of Yao
their king says in his reign the
sun stood so long above the
horizon that it was feared
that the world would be set
on fire (See Starkhouse) or
that the age of Joshua corresponds
with the Chinese king Yao

In Ephesus there are in
the present day none who
bear the Christian name -
so completely is the candlestick
removed.

Philadelphia

are still Christians and
ever has been since the Rev.

Laudman Church

the spirit said I will spew
you out of my mouth.

Those stately theatres are now
peopled by wolves and foxes

Church of Smyrna

suffered 10 years persecution
under the reign of Domitian
a day stands for a year -
city of Tyne - is a barren rock

the soil is entirely washed away

The air that we breathe is made
heavier and sinks to the end
is drunk in or absorbed by
plants and water. to plants
constitutes manure &

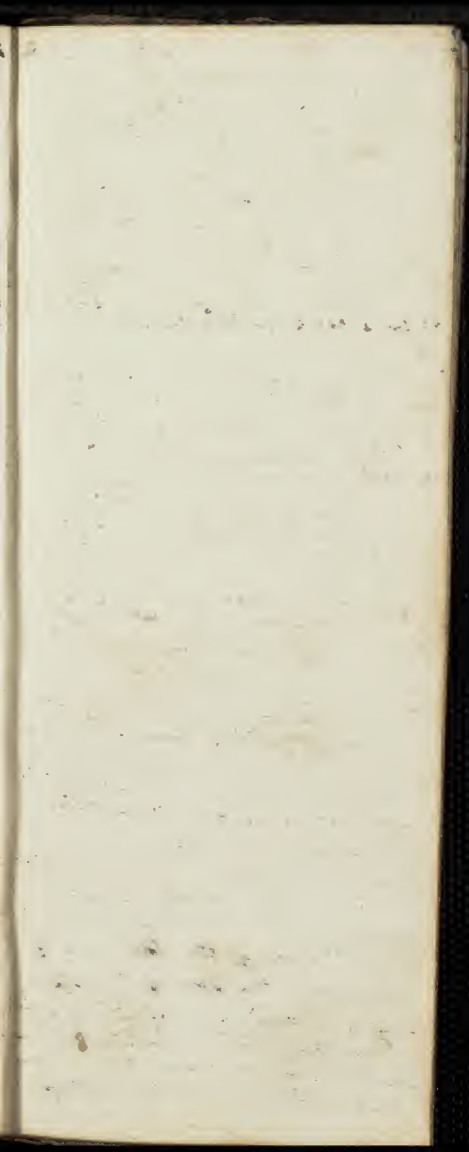
Hydrogen Gas is lighter
and is equally dried by it rises in
the atmosphere. trees & weeds have
stems and substances to constantly
giving off this gas when they
are decaying - this gas unites with
with Oxygen already floating
there which forms water
certainly unites them - immediately
after a clasp of thunder the rain
falls faster - the evaporation
of water drinks up the carbonic
in the atmosphere - at night
the dampness falls to the earth
and gives off the carbon into
the air which keeps the air
from growing cool

American Antiquities

P. 50 a Roman coin was found on the
Bank of the River Desperes in Missouri.

P. 50 - a Persian coin was found near
a spring in the Ohio some feet under
ground.

In 1827. a plowman discovered in a field
near Monte Video. a stone slab
over masonry in which was found
2 ancient swords a helmet & shield
also an earthen vessel - Greek
characters were on them - which
were - "during the dominion of
Alexander the son of Philip
king of Macedonia in 63 Olympiad
Ptolemais" on the handle of the
swords was the portrait of a man
supposed to be Alexander.



Expenses commencing Sept. 1st 1839

1 carriage harness and buffalo robe	80.00
Bureau	26.00
table 8.00 stained 3.50 had steel 5.50	17.00
Land	6 1/2
Bill at Pekin Sept. 1 st	13.50
to Eliza 2.00 for horse in Herald 4.50	3.50
don't show 50 any show 1.25	1.75
16 lb nails	2.00
Nov. 28 th at Plover - Bill	21.87
to Huntington	5.50
Greenland - 2	1.50
25 Dec. subscribed for the Temperance H.	25
31 st sugar 1.50 coffee 1.00 starch .25	2.75
pick 4 lb	1.25
share of beef 4 lb	.50
10 Jan. to white	2.02
28 " - bill at Greenland	4.39
2 days	3.00
1 gal molasses	.75
23 Feb. don't buy 37 th chicken 37 th	.75
to Edm	3.25
40 lb. sugar at 8	3.20
25 apples at .25 - 1 per 50	6.25
dried apples	1.80
May 2 nd trade plover	6.00
28 th 10 gal linen cloth at 37 th	3.75
10 " cotton "	1.20
5 th June 4 yd under bed tick	1.12
20 th missionary society	3.12 1/2
1 sett chairs	8.00
3 lumber for stable	5.27
July 3 rd Lewis & Clark trap net	.50
also to Peely 4 th	\$ 238.21
Butter - trade at Mount	3.50
do " "	4.51
Nov 9 th cotton plant	1.50
Bill at Plover for cotton	4.00
for lighting 200	1.00
Nov 17 th 1 sack for Lumber	.57 1/2
share of Walters sitting out	3.00
10 Nov at Plover	5.62
land 50 aridus 25 sugar	2.00
molasses 25	.81
cloth 10 yds	10.00
Nov 27 th land a 100 Hays in	5.00
share of double lamp 25	30.00
Nov. one cost 13.00 clock 14.00	3.31
reflector 200 - sundries 121	1.00
strong 1. marks	.25
1 lb. Lincoln root	.43
carving 6 lb tow	

7 th maple sugar	75
trade at Washington	6.75
23 rd Apr 1861 maple sugar 10 lb. of 10	1.00
43 rd lb. sugar at 9c 78.7 2 gal. mol. 1.00	4.87
mortar .75 — nails for 7.68 — —	2.43
9 th May - 1/2 bu dried apples .87 1/2 cord fish 50c	1.37 1/2
25 th to the Temperance Socy	.25
29 th Trade at Washington	10.50
1 st July 1861	45.00
cutting a down	37 1/2
Lost by - had debt -	15.50
at Chicago train	14.53
Sept 1 st trade at Peoria	40.61
2 nd telescope	5.00
Sept. 28 th at Peoria from 87 1/2 little 87 1/2	2 1/8 1/2
time 61 st 2 gal. paid with coin 31 1/2	
29 th Oct. Inmont Bill at Chicago	30.50
30 th 1112 brick at 4.50 per 1000	5.00
cutting wood	75
trade price	3.80

5th July. 1848 began harvesting wheat
on Ambrose's lot. thunder showers
drove us off at noon - at night
a tremendous thunder storm and
wind. our grain all blown down
7th showery day. 8th rain drove us
off from harvesting. 9th showery all
day. fine wheat will grow in the
shocks - 12th finished harvesting fall
wheat and began harvesting spring
wheat - heavy thunder shower -
18th finished harvesting wheat 15 1/2
days work - 19th began haying ..
21st another heavy rain. with thunder
Ambrose's Barn struck with lightning
a short time since 24th first green
corn. Recd. a letter from Mr. Fairbanks
appreciation of rain. but cleared away -
25th Margaret and William. visited him
began stacking hay. caterpillars begin
to sing - 26th another heavy thunder
storm - 27th went Blackberrying - on
Farm Creek - 30th Sunday - thunder
showers again - 1st August - clear
and warm 2nd heavy rain storm.
again - 18 hours rain - very thing
afloat - 5th rain very day - wheat
growing - gloomy times - finished.
binding up oats yesterday -
7th Uncle Dr. Lyman here visiting
went to Sand Prairie with him.
Clinton days Homer Roberts came
here visiting - 8th began drawing in
wheat - fine weather now -
12th rained all night - went Black-
berrying. extremely warm weather
The rot in our potatoes very bad
15th - thinnish shower last night
Charles Waters youngest child died
16th attended the funeral - damp misty
day - finished drawing in fall wheat

Sunday 20th heavy thunder shower
lost night - finished stacking grain
yesterday - 21st Thunder showers again
29th Col. Vanhorne and wife
visited here - 30th Thunder showers -
lost night - finished shingling my barn
31st another tremendous heavy thunder storm
3rd Sept. Mary taken sick with the Bilious
fever 4th Mary taken sick also Walter
and Edw. taken sick 7th called a doctor
the first time in my life for myself
9th taking colored powder -
15th first frost - I began to work corn
18th got a machine to thresh and
fall wheat 20th Kelly frost -
21st finished threshing wheat - had 754 bu
got 53 bu more a 1/2 bu spray wheat -
27th Anti Slavery meeting at Norton School
house - Lecture by Mr. M. C. of Worcester Co.
began getting apples &c. -
18th worked in the road - rainy - 20th ground
frozen - worked in the road with him
the day yesterday - 28th - yesterday & today
warm rain with thunder - finished
another boarding my Barn - Orrille
visited here
1st Nov finished day my sheep pens
in my Barn & 2nd sheeps & corn
in the field. offloading of grain
3rd Thunder with rain
5th very muddy - rain nearly every other day
8th went to Plover with Butter and Beef
very cold. winter weather - got news of
yesterday's Election from Boston by
Telegraph - Mr. Powell for to sell
for 84 1/4 lb. Butter at 12¢ - \$10.58
worth Beef - 134 lb. at 2¢ - \$3.35
getting corn - began to feed cattle -
14th four colored Ladies from St. Louis
came and Briggs & Oakley followed them
to my house - 15th a negro man came
here - from west for getting corn

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24th sent letter to Wilson & Co for
 4 putonks 1 aluminum - 43 c for weekly Dispatch
 28th went to Rome warm beautiful day -
 29th rain and turned to snow and such a
 storm is seldom seen -
 30th Thanksgiving day - clear and pleasant
 snow 4 or 5 in deep - got sled tracks
 Total. \$ 47.65

1st Dec. snow storm - 3rd misty -
 4th heavy snow storm again -
 5-6 - misty 7th heavy rain storm - 8th
 clear - weather brighter 9th Birth day -
 snow storm turned to hail finally to
 rain - makes a sharp contrast -
nothing done now - all idle

10th very bad going - 12th 2° above zero -
 15th 2° below zero - drew wood 7 loads
 16th went to Pitkin sold one Park
 to Leonard 237th for kind payable in
 specie on the 1st of Apr - 18th Mrs Githum
 died - Van Halmer boys returned from Chicago
 21st heavy hail and snow storm -
 fine sleighing - 22nd heavy snow storm
 1 1/2 feet deep in the woods - 23rd
 below zero - 26th killed hogs -
 10° below zero -
 28th finished hauling off Park -
 38 hogs. 9693 lb. average - 25.5 lb.
 at 237th for kind 2 hogs 406 lb.
 in all \$ 239.84 amount sold -

1st Jan. 1849

pleasant day - visited Beckers -
 2nd went to Park for Crandall - paid 170 c
 grand sleighing - cold N E wind 8th snow
 storm but getting about in the woods -
 6th 2° below zero began hauling
 out Kail into yesterday -
 The Colera in Northern and
 St Louis - 10th - 12° below zero
 Drang. rail cuts - water has the
 again - 11th very cold. wind South
 12th rained all day - 13th raining
 at night turned cold - 14th Sunday
 4° below zero -

16th 6° below zero - finished downy rail
 cuts. had a party. clear cold weather -
 17th 14° below zero - snow cold this morning
 18th 4° below zero 21st Sunday - cold. good
 day for a long time. 22nd 2° below zero
 many about here gained to California next
 spring - 24th rainy day. making Anthon
 horn doors - 25th rainy in fore noon cleared
 up. warm - started for Grandland, water
 so high - turned back - 26th turned cold
 last night high N. Wind - 29th rainy
 warm. Mackinac bridges all three gone
 by last flood - sent for Pictorals
 Brother Jonathan

30th snow storm - 31st snow rain & hail
 of party at Mr. Emersons - 1st Feb. drove
 rail cuts for Anthon good ship day. clear day
 Rd. 6.80 etc. of V. B. Withill -
 7th 8° below zero - last night Libby's meeting
 voted to buy try of 50 etc. for share - 15th
 cold again - as usual. get a grant from
 the mill - 18th began harvesting corn again
 on slide - cold day - 14th 3° below zero -
 15th 8° below zero - 16th paid Mr. Gore \$10.00
 18th Sunday clear and pleasant 13° below
 zero - yesterday frosty air and showy -
 at bed time 15° below zero 19th 6° below zero
 finished picking corn in our field -
 high southerly wind - 20th warm appearance
 of a storm. 22nd foggy for 2 days. 24th
 rained all night. still foggy - wind N. W.
 25th Mr. Dobiesha took the assassin

horses - 7	—	—	270.00
cattle	—	—	295.00
sheep & hogs	—	—	37.50
clothes	—	—	25.00
waggon & carriage	—	—	100.00
money loaned & on hand	—	—	500.00
all other property	—	—	250.00
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			\$1477.00
Land	—	—	3762.00
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			5239.00

Feb. 28th Thunder and a little rain - turned
 cold. very windy - Daniel Brown buried
 to day -

1st Mar. turned cold. very rough - 1849.
storm of hail & rain 2nd very dry
covered with ice - 4th Mar. rain again
5th still foggy - wet - rainy day 6th still
raining on foggy - wind of evening \$33.00
8th an old man died suddenly last night
at Ogles house - 9th rained all night -
rain and fog - nearly all the time
sold four 4y old sters for \$47.00 -
cows going & ice saw -
11th rain all night and to day again -
when will it ever stop - The cholera
in Plover - two persons died of
cholera on the boat at Plover -
12th warm beautiful day - the first
for a long time 13th another rainy day
14th foggy and muddy roads never
so bad in the world - boys smoky
rails - 15th old Mrs Kofs died -
the I flamer rose 2 ft. higher than
ever known. part of the bridge gone
20th warm & showery. grass begins to
look green. 21st turned cold. N.W. wind
24th got our corn in from the orchard.
rained after noon and night. 31st mor-
finished trimming my apple trees.

Began sowing wheat on the 28th Mar.
1st Apr. 1849 clear cold N.E. wind
cholera in Plover - 2nd sold R.
2 y. old sters for 8.00 for head.
got our money from Plover. great
fire in Plover & a 10 house burnt
Elijah Blank died - cholera very
bad in St Louis 80 die in days
4th rainy day - 5th finished getting
corn for the spring - 6th rain again
thunder showers - my stream in the
yard highest I ever knew it -
7th the Ransom of Springfield
was here - four colored persons
taken back into slavery -
8th another rainy day -
finished feeding cattle - 10th cleared
up. it lost ok now with further
wakes corn in my floor -

11th grafted my orchard. 12th went to
Peoria - river very high yet -
started the fugitives - towards Canada
in the night - got a letter from
Sarah Brown - Margaret died -

14th - 15th - 16th cold frosty mornings -

17th snow sparsely - disagreeable weather
went to DPH

275 bricks

18th myself sick called a doctor - very sick
all day. 19th still very sick - cold weather with
quite entirely minus at Peoria - the Spring
frost very night day, the week -

20th began sowing oats - 21st thunder showers

22nd still confined to the house -

25th Mr Kirk died last night unprepared
to meet his God - how awful - the consideration
visited Sarah - getting well myself -

26th set out onion - began ploughing in
my orchard - 1st May began ploughing
corn - cold weather 6th John Perry N.E. wind
went to Peoria got a new plow - peas
in bloom - plants of - 2nd rain with
thunder - got a cold - very heavy

3rd plowed my garden - warm day thunder
showers around - 4th showery day - 5th

heavy rain last night - Mrs. Huntington
died - 7th planted Libanon chicken
thunder showers - 8th a real blow
last night - N.W. S. fine all day

had the ague again - 10th a hard shake
of the ague. 11th all but another taking
briggs pills - the cholera in Peoria
and Kansas - 12th George Wether's came here

from Golconda - Dr. Masson and wife
died last night of cholera - alarming
times - heavy rain last night - 15th rain

again last night - 16th went to Peoria
cholera then pretty bad - dreadful news
from Cincinnati St Louis and the
basin on the canal - of the fatality of
the cholera fearful times - Mary
had a chill to day - poor little girl
commenced planting in the big field. 17th & 18th
cold N.E. wind backward spring -

20th Mary had the ague - afterwards
she had a fit which alarmed us much
not for a doctor -

21st Heavy Thunder showers - 1849
23rd Began planting in Ambrosia field
24th cold N.E. wind - 25th cold E. wind
Wm. A. Timney died a few days since
in Pekin - 27th Sunday - interesting meeting
19 persons - invited our Church to Ch.
cold and showery - 28th finished planting
Ambrosia field - 31st finished planting
corn - warm - shower at night -
1st June - planted potatoes. Father sick
3rd Mary had the ague - and myself nearly
come 25th Oct 20. wheat 65 to 70 cts -
5th June had the ague again -
8th worked on the Road - Thunder showers
very warm - 13th went to Adams mill
with 28 bu. wheat. corn worth 29 cts -
plowing corn out first time -
16th began hauling off corn. at 25 cts -
worked 11 days on the road -
19th Mr. Samuel Davis of Peoria
died of Cholera - several other cases.
150 die daily in St. Louis
23rd finished taking wheat to market
report of General Worth & Gains
died of Cholera - 24th Ex. prot. Polk
and Cassius M. Clay - both died
4th July - celebrated the day. at Mr. Crowl's
Anti Slavery address and Temperance speeches
free dinner - good time. 5th Began
harvesting wheat. 6th began haying -
getting quite dry - cholera very bad
at Peoria - up north - one case of cholera
at Groveland - 8th quite rain 9th extremely
hot 100° in the shade. 10th painted Brooks
barn - a man has the cholera just below
Brooks - 15 cases of cholera in Peoria
3 deaths yesterday. 13th fine rain -
morning frost. 17th Began stacking hay
Henry Buckens died of cholera in Chicago
getting worse in Peoria. several cases in
Tennant. 21st finished stacking hay
Mrs. Tyler and son visiting at Ambrosia
28th had. Cattle's machine cut our
wheat 29th finished cutting wheat -
began the oats - 20 died in one week
of cholera in Peoria

Eliza Harding bitten by a rattlesnake
Mrs. Ingalls has the cholera — — —
29th heavy thunder shower which will fetch
up our turnips. - Walter wife sick.
31st July. finished harvesting - Corville
Phelps started for California — — —
4th Aug: sent a load of corn to Homer got 80¢
shut up to 70¢. - sold 25¢. — 13th Aug
heavy rain with thunder & — which was
much in mind. — taking off corn to
market - 16th got a load of brick for Walter
17th heavy thunder shower last night.
19th thunder shower again last night -
the river rising - 23rd very hot sun
finished hauling corn off - plowing for
wheat - 26th heavy shower of rain -
got a paper from the Mortimer Post Office
27th Aug. Bryan sowing wheat.
28th Recd a letter from Mr. E. O. Farnham
on his passage to California.
31st Aug. trucked up my cotton -
1st Sept. covered my cotton. in the evening
went to a National Reform meeting - all night
6th went to Tremont. to the Dedication
of the Congregational Church — — —
8th first frost. killed some vines
in - worked on the road — — —
13th plowing Larin house - mowing
pasture grass - dry weather -
17th last night a heavy rain with thunder
and wind. wells got very low - sowed
grass seed - 18th more rain -
24th began cutting up corn -
27th cut Buckwheat - another frost...
finished cutting up corn. Father & Walter
started up north. visiting - Joel Clark &
wife sick - 29th finished shingling - very
stale. rainy night - Joel no better
1st Oct. drove corn for fattening - rainy
night - 2nd rain again cooler -
rotted up Buckwheat 5th rainy
Day - painted a grove board
for Mr. Bamber - Mrs. Abner Pitelka
wife died two weeks ago - 6th Election
of School Directors. called as cloudy

11th Oct. Fifth & Sixth got hoia -
thunder shower. went to Gravel to
draw a witness of a deer chole
13th finished framing Hawks house
15th raised Hawks house -

the Cholera broke out again
in Ponia. 17 cases of small
pox likewise in Ponia -

16th rainy day. let Joel have 20 dollars
18th let Andrew Kicker have \$100, &
dollar - 19th Brians did 10 dollars &
Dr P. H. I now owe him 35 dollars
heard that Edward & Harriet Woots
died last week - also Charlotte

Davis - 22nd Oct. worse day -

27th - Aaron Burkhans died of Cholera
- warm spunky weather. working
on Joel Clarks house -
paid Davis 9.00 dollars -

29th Junius began teaching school
thunder showers yesterday -

1st Nov. warm handsome weather
working for Joel Clark -

4th Sunday. very warm - Boss

Hirman died this morning -
paid Davis \$10.00

6th Election day. went to Point
rained last night and tonight -

17th finished Hawks house -

William White died this
morning - 21st went to Point
to settle the Estate again.

thunder with a little rain

and hail 22nd went to Ponia
and crossed the Bridge for the first

time - 24th heavy rain storm
after a long dry time - stock
will now plenty of drink -

Mr. Rogers and wife come
here visiting - 28th went to
Pekin. cold winters day. Began
to feed cattle - a schooner in
Pekin harbor

1st Dec. 1849 went to Westly City
engaged in Park at \$2.00 for under
225 lb. and over \$2.25 - with the thing
of taking a brown dog up to

Feb - 1st cold day - 5th & 6th
killed hogs. got from 2,100 to 2,250 -
cold pleasant winter - small prof
quite thick in Peria and Washington
8th snowed all night -
3 or 4 in. deep. the morning -

Bygem finding all our cattle
for the first 9th My little dog
went to see Mrs. Mathews who is
sick with the Typhoid fever -

very cold ride - in a cutter -
11th 6° below zero banked my house
12th 2° below - got of A.B.R. \$82.00

one to pay him next spring -
13th paid up postage up to Jan 1st 1850
20.00 - 14th turned cold again after
a little fall of snow - Mrs. Mathews
not expected to live -

15th 42 hogs. weight. 10208 lb
17th 8° below zero clear and pleasant
went to Hunt to pay Tax \$51.47
98th on 100.00 of property -
due of 11/3th - 8.20 to

18th went to Peria and purchased
Books for the Library -

19th Mrs. Mathews died. sister in
law - of Typhoid fever - & Erysipelas
Mr. Spencer holding a protracted meeting
getting quite mending -

25th Christmas. clear and cold 10° below
zero - 1st Jan. 1850

pleasant day - a party at Walters -

4th 8 1/4° below zero - went to Peria
Park worth now. 2.50 to .60 per hundred
also .23 corn .25 wheat .50

Jan 9: read a Holders Magazine -
went to Peria. crossed on the ice
park. 2.65 to .28 corn .28 also .23 potatoes
75.

15th snow ¹⁸⁵⁰ storm. 16th nearly all
gone. 17th By an threshing act
dill cloudy - 18th another snow
storm last night. snow 2 or 3 in.
19th went to Northern meeting
small box at. 6 or 7 high. Trint
and several other places around
22nd Jan. paid Edw Barthle \$45.00
threshing act. On Barthle sells
up his interest. balance over. \$640.
27th turned cold last night. after
a long warm muddy time.
began work on Barthle house -
1st Feb. took act to home -
2nd went with 5 loads to home
3rd 10th below zero high wind - snow.
fell yesterday morning - 2 in or so -
4th 12th below zero 7th rain storm
party at Darius house.
10th snow squall. last night -
25th wore hoodoom weather. from
Mr Barthle house -
28th Jimmie started for Galisburg school
home in the morning. after noon the
wind blew furiously - some men
reporting a steam boat above Peoria
Mar. 1st 1850 put Barthle windows
frame together dreadfull high wind
all night. several chimneys blew
down in Peoria - cold weather
again. 3rd snow fell 4 in last
night. George Waters start for
California next Wednesday -
sacrament day to day -
5th Feb. went to Juncout. but
Mr. Webb \$160.00 - came home
in the rain - Chaets got home from
Galisking. Webb owes me 50 to
Int. on Lamm note and 50 on Wolters
8th Began ploughing for wheat
framed rafters for Barthle house
a California team stole of Father
last night - 11th Began sowing wheat
12th Began weather hoarding - Barthle house
very up. wind

15th Thunder showers last night.
high wind again today—
15th put rafters on Bartlett's house
Henry Waters & family - visited here
lent Mr Bartlett 1000 dollars —
19th sent to Wilson & Co for Engraving
cold N.E. wind. Began plowing for
oats yesterday - sold a horse for \$5,000
22nd - ground 21st began snowing oats
had a pigeon eye - panty —
23rd quite cold this morning —
24th only 11° above zero - and a cold
siver N.W. wind 25th 6° above zero
Began laying off timber on wood house
27th 11° above zero 28th went to Poria
got Mary's & Ellen Daguerotype
pictures taken —

1st Apr. 1850 rainy day:
2nd Election day warm and pleasant
grass starts grow - 3rd showery - went
to Poria got the girls miniatures —
4th cold rainy day —
6th attended the meeting of the School
Trustees. presented a petition for a
division of western school district
it was granted. received \$24.85.00
of Sumner School Bill —
12th finished the roof of Bartlett's
house - a horse thief passed here
day before yesterday with 2 horses —
13th cold with snow & hail squalls
wrote a letter to the Sheriff of Bureau
co. for horse thief —
16th cut a door way into the front room
snow & hail storm ground white. gloomy
aspect — 17th wintry morning. high
wind. ground white with snow & hail
19th went to Poria with corn - got 35¢
20th oats sold at 38¢ a corn 37¢ —
cold W.E. wind - grass can't grow such
weather — 21st heavy rain with
thunder 22nd still rainy - grass starts
now - warm - after a long cold spell
of weather since Feb. —

23^d finished Mr Barthells house
24th still very cold. froze hard -
28th went to Trumant worn in the
morning - but cold North wind afternoon
cattle barely live without feed -
29th Sunday. heavy N.E. rain storm
30th windy night - pleasant day -
1st May. 1850. clear and pleasant -
frost. froze ice - changed Ambrose
road house - 4th meeting to vote for
tax to build school house - cold
weather yet. 5th cold N.W. wind -
sawmills today - wrote a letter to Junius
6th Began planting corn -
plowed my garden. cold frosty
morning - ice in the run -
7th rain storm. hail & small snow
clear up at night - 8th foggy south
wind cool - 9th heavy frost ground
frozen - 11th heavy frost - ice in the run
Rear fence is killed - finished
planting one field - 12th Deacons
meeting today warm pleasant day.
16th finished planting in the former field
warm weather for several days.
19th heard of new minister for
the Smith - beautiful day -
yesterday read a letter from Junius
20th rainy day - after long dry time
22^d went to Peoria with corn -
48 to - contract worth 1,10 etc -
23^d finished planting corn -
Mr Webb paid up two notes -
24th planted potatoes - showing off corn
26th heard Rev. Mr. Smith. Rev. Mr. Martin
and Rev. Mr. Blanchard preach to day
a man died of Cholera in Peoria -
27th rain and a fine one too. went to
Trumant but Lockett was \$150.00 -
1st pleasant day. went to Peoria
with a load of wheat & corn -
got \$1,10 for wheat and 42 for corn

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5th very warm and dry - great want
 of rain - finished hauling my lumber -
 7th fine rain - gratefully received
 8th met Mr. Lovell a school House
 thunder showers around very warm
 water got a letter from Linn -
 9th James sent out - 14th bathed
 my kitchen - fine rain - very warm
 17th 18th worked on the roads -
 19th extremely warm - - began plowing
 my house - thunder showers -
 property valuation
 (1850)

Horses 285.00
 cattle 288.
 sheep & hogs 30.
 wagon &c. 115.
 money - 900.
 all. fr. 250
 doctrs. 20
 1888.00
 Land. 3774
 \$ 5682.00

21st thunder showers -
 22nd took Mr. Case to Trumant. a man
 died of Cholera near Trumant - several
 deaths by it in Vicksburg - 23rd Mr. Blau-
 -mohad preached today - started Sunday
 school - very warm weather -
 26th had beans got a letter from
 Linnus. heavy thunder showers
 27th paid Brady - bill \$10.87 for
 breaking prairie - plow 13.50
 28th Linnus come home from Galoshing
 school. Marya died of cholera in
 Peoria to day - 30th raining day -
 1st July. began mowing. showery
 very muggy - 5th lost Sunday night
 3 buildings in Paken struck by lightning
 one boy killed. Barnums stable in
 Trumant struck also - and in another
 place a horse killed - cholera in
 Peoria & Vicksburg - on the increase

4th July. celebrated the day at Father's
oration by Rev. Mr. Blanchard -
extremely hot weather - 5th stacked
hay - Began Harvesting wheat.

9th first cucumbers - 10th David Morbey
died of Cholera - 13th finished harvesting fall
wheat - thunder shower - very hot weather
12th Began cutting spring wheat
heavy shower of rain - muddy -

14th helped Mr. Bartlett harvest -
cholera on the women in Ponia
the Friday died of cholera -
quite cool N. wind yesterday & today
21st 9 persons died in Peking - a few
days since pleasant weather - 22nd finished
cutting spring wheat - Began cutting Oats

23rd sowed turnips - hot sun today
26th finished harvesting - very hot weather
30th finished haying -

31st July. rain - low Ambrose pasture fence
1st August. another rain - thizack
wheat for Mr. Bartlett. laid up fence
3rd thunder showers - stacking hay -
extremely hot weather

4th Aunt Emma died. cloudy appearance
of a thunder storm - 6th Began haying
in wheat into the Barn - finished stacking
hay. extremely hot weather -
from 5 to ten die daily of Cholera
in Ponia - 8th still extremely
hot - 10th winter Cornwalls -
rain with thunder - got Combs

Constitution of man from Library
13th drawing in oats - hottest
weather yet since awfully -

15th finished drawing in grain -
17th heavy rain storm with heavy
thunder - all night - breaking my 2
knives 20th heavy rain again
with thunder - Abner Mitchell visiting

21st began shingling Ambrose house
heavy thunder shower = heavy blow =
a little hail - windy - muddy - grain
not in growing - badly -
24th thunder shower last night - still
very warm weather 27th began shingling
my wood house. cool nights now after
an extremely hot summer - Mr. Hill
returned from his visit to Ohio
70 die daily in Milwaukee of Cholera
29th and 30th rainy days - Anna had
the Cholera Morbus today. - Professor
Webster to be hung to day -
31st rainy rainy hard - wind N.W.
1st Sept. communion day. Mr Emerson
two boys sick with Diphtheria from -
2nd Junius started for Galzburg
finished shingling - my wood house
John Dworkin now taking the census
8th Sunday - expect to start for N. York
tomorrow - have \$115.70
9th started for N. York with \$126.50
and \$19.64 of D.P. Roberts among -
10th stop at the Plover House
waiting with great impatience for
a Boat - awoke before day by
the whistle - but was disappointed
the Boat came down - instead of up
while waiting heard another whistle
like with pleasure - went on Board
early in the morning took Breakfast
Paid fare to LaSalle \$2.50 each
Name of Boat Erya
Pilot, Rome Chellicotte Henry
Lacon, Humphreys, Pierce and
landed at LaSalle at 4 o'clock
expecting to start on a packet
at 7 o'clock disappointed again
have to stop at the Hardy House
on night - a Circle over the way

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this afternoon & evening visited the
Cathedral Cathedral in arch of
arch on the hill back. 50 by 100
ft and 30 or 40 ft high a lime
stone - 11th Sunday. Appearance of
rain. At 8 o'clock started on the
Boat. one passenger with his wife
bound for California a brother to Geo.
Burnet of California also a Mr. In-
a resident of California was acquainted with
the Fairbank there. about 3 o'clock
got to the break waiting for wagons
to take us 16 m around the break
a little while. Mr. Marshall -

12th day-break at Lock Port.
went N. E. went to Chicago - arrived
at Chicago at 12 o'clock - bought
on a coat and pants - for \$10.00
saw Mr. Marsh & Henry -
got started on Steam Boat at
5 o'clock for St. Buffalo -
paid \$9.00 fare to Buffalo N.Y.

13th very sick on the passage
as well as the rest. took the
cars at 9 o'clock. day break
at Niagara fall. stopped great
many times at last arrived at
Detroit at 1 o'clock got aboard
the steamer Ocean a new
splendid boat -

wind very light pleasant
of a pleasant ride to night

14th 4 o'clock arrived at Buffalo
Telegraphed to Chicago to Brothers
went ~~chippewa~~ ^{the Niagara falls} ^{and} ^{supper} ^{at} ^{the} ^{business} ^{took} ^{supper}
at ^{the} ^{Hotel} 7 o'clock took the
cars for Rochester arrived at
11 o'clock stopped at the Rail Road
Hotel 15th Sunday started for

Uncle Wilsons 12 miles south got
there at 2 o'clock - tried walking
paid the toll will 16th visited around
17th - Father sick concluded to stop
another day - wrote a letter to Ann
some appearance of rain -
18th - Appearance of Showers
Father some better - rode to Rock
- ester with Harry Phelps
visited the Falls and Barnes
Panorama - "Voyage to Europe"
at 5 o'clock took packet for
N. Buffalo - mailed a letter to
my family -
19th - heavy appearance passed Elgin
Montezuma low swamps found
all of ducks in groups like
raining afternoon 20th - drier in cloudy
day light at Roma - 9 o'clock got
to Utica from Rome by train - went
into the museum - took dinner - got
into the stage for Troy & Rome -
got to Black Mt at 6 o'clock -
21st - clear beautiful morning -
went into the woods got some
plum and some blackberries - afternoon
rode to Stillville Mrs Tyler gone
went to Fountain square saw
Mrs B. and left at 4 o'clock - went
and saw at home and then went
back to Uncle Ebenezer -
22nd - driving - clear and pleasant
23rd - warm day Black Mt and
with me to Roma 15 miles -
24th - pleasant Black Mt with a
calm. visited at the Tylers then on
down after noon - staid all night
and 25th - started home at Roma
at 2 o'clock took car for Lyons
at 5 o'clock took packet at The Buffalo
26th - passed Lyons - stormy yesterday
cloudy and dull today -

27th day rose clear, almost calm -
from the west cool but damp -
about 10 o'clock some light drizzle
beautiful morning for a sail - I was
satisfied to leave by this fair
after going several miles through a
deep cut in the rocks we at last came
into the Jonswater creek. Still sailing
around St. Buffalo at our old. took
passage on the Mayflower at 11th
high noon for the N. E. 28th very
windy this morning many sea sick
finally at 8 o'clock arrived at Detroit
and to our great disappointment found
the card gone so shall have to
stop one sabbath here went to the
American Dispensary house

29th clear beautiful morning
walked all over the town went to
church Episcopal after noon to the
Presbyterian church at 7 o'clock
took the card for St. Paul

30th at 9 o'clock went with our boat
the fair steam got into Chicago
at 2 o'clock stopped over night
with Henry Buckner at the hotel

1st Oct. cloudy cleared off warm
at 2 o'clock took passage for LaSalle

2nd at 1 o'clock passed near Joliet
cold night with bright northern lights
passed the break in the canal on
Edin quite unwell - towards night
arrived at LaSalle, got on board
of the steamer

for River
went to River for freight
the morning for the river freight
for the day no freight
at LaSalle. 3rd Oct. cold rain &
saw some more freight & which
got home little after dark

6th clear and cold First killing frost
 Fother under the Dr. saw went to church
 7th Began cutting Buck wheat -
 9th worked for all Hawks. rainy after noon
 16th very warm. Thunder showers Began work
 for Mr Bortlet 3 murders committed near
 Ponia a few days ago - got 2 of the murderers
 in Jail. yesterday went to court -
 19th first snow squalls - clearing Buck
 wheat - laying Bortlet upper floor -
 21st Began digging potatoes now and then
 a rotten one - 22nd Mr Frisby visiting here
 25th ground froze hard the morning Amos
 started yesterday for Blessington - finished digging
 potatoes 28th Amos returned. beautiful weather
 30th Thunder showers last night -
 1st made Mr Bortlet's doors - 2nd attended
 profrator. Lecture. 4 joined the Church 2 by
 profession - rainy last night and to day - warm
 4th rainy day - 15th turned cold - 16th snow
 squalls quite cold - took the apples in the cellar
 in the evening - went to market -
 19th went to Ponia judicial office - sent Lamm
 a coat. cost \$8.00 wrote him a letter -
 20th cold frosty morning - the Ponia murderers
 have their trial today -
 22nd snow squalls Began feeding
 cattle - grain - Mr. Blanchard. Bortlet
 250 cask 10.00 total \$12.50
 25th rainy day - 26 & 27 still raining
 Thunder showers - are very muddy -
 helped Mr Bortlet finish lettering -
 29th sent a letter to Wilson and Co. for 3 bills
 - one. 1 put in - and money advanced - 1 gr. for
 Mr Disbottle - a party at Ambrose -
 yesterday Thanksgiving day - 30th finished
 harvesting field corn. 2 murders
 in Ponia sentenced to be hung -
 1st Dec. - 1850 - rainy day - 2nd still
 raining - very muddy - 3rd turned
 cold - Sunday morning one killed
 and 2 wounded - in a grogery
 in Ponia - 4th cold snow squalls
 pushed work at Ambrose 5th very cold
 8° above zero all day - 7th snow storm
 4 in deep - cold weather -
 8th Sunday clear wind S.E. 15° below zero - certain

worked for Bortlet 14 days with family living here

9th my Birth day 1850-51 - pleasant day -
preparing for Kelly hogs = Red. a letter
from Eunius - 10th killed hogs.
11th finished Kelly hogs. get \$3.25 for him.
13th 2° above zero. clear & pleasant -
ice bridge broke down - one of
and an horse drowned - 19th snowed
last night. just covered the ground -
many people passed here for Peoria
to see the execution of the 2 murderers
tomorrow. Mr. Matthews here to day
20th the execution at Peoria postponed to
the 15th next month - a mob tried to hang
them but failed - --

25th Christmas. cold N. W. wind
clear mostly - 27th Red a letter from
Eunius. finished husking corn for the gr.
28th great snow storm
from the N.E. killed a large fox
31st Dec. 8° below zero. yesterday drew out a
wood pile - 1st Jan. 1851 clear
and cold. - 2nd I had a son born
at 20 in. to 4 o'clock. - Lester Francis

- This week warm and muddy. 9th last
night a heavy rain storm - wind
shifted into the N.W. - with snow
squalls - 12th Baptist protracted meeting
at Norton. several conversions -
15th Ann sit up today for the first
warm pleasant weather -
18th went to see two men being
in Peoria - Tom Brown & George
Williams for the murder of Mr. Hunt
great concourse of people - awful
spectacle - 17th yesterday two and
very cold. this morning 2° below
zero. high wind.

21st painted Deuker house
got a letter from Eunius last night
23rd thrashing our wheat. machine
broke 24th Eunius got home from
Galzburg - Pally has the scarlet
fever - 26th 7 and 8 h. thrashing wheat
29th 3° below zero. finished thrashing
605 bu. wheat. 470 bu. oats. Pally better
Ann. has a very great sore under her
arm - Mr. Blanchard called here

30th Jan, 13° below zero. clear N.W. wind
31st 10° below zero - 1st Feb. snow storm
3rd foggy. Juvins started for Galesburg -
7th very warm weather - my youngest
child quite sick - taking wheat to
market at .68 ct - 8th called the Dr.
to the little babe - 10th snow storm
2 or 3 in deep the babe was sent
again for the Doctor - 13th finished
taking off wheat. \$268.00 worth
14th heavy rain storm. wind! wind!
17th Recd a letter from Juvins. began
breaking down corn stalks and
S.W. 6° above zero - very rough roads
19th Levi & Mayatt. visiting here. heavy
rain storm - 20th still raining 21st rain
wild geese and ducks flying north
23rd thunder showers last night - pigeons
flying - foot coming out of the ground
26th raining for a number of days but
wind shifted into the W.W. it lost
but still raining - - Oh! how windy
panic in Rome - corn down in St.
Louis to 38th river very high and
rising - 27th ground white with snow
towards evening - it began snowing from
the N.E. 1st March. high wind from the
S.W. most horrible going - attend foreparting
Sutcliffe in plant given - 2nd N.W. wind cold
3rd Mr. Moffat's daughter aged 5 yrs died
this morning - 4th raining - 5th cold -
the mumps in the neighborhood -
16th raining - can't go to church -
yesterday three men grafting Father's
orchard - 17th grafted my - as seen
some fine have begun plowing -
20th began raking corn stalks - started
the plow but find it too wet -
21st Recd a letter from Orville Phelps
California - and one from Juvins
22nd raining wet weather for several
days - 27th Mr. Moffat lost another child

ground to wit to plow ¹⁸⁵¹ - grafted
Latter orchard - 27th grafted my orchard -
heard from George Wotter - in California
31st Mar read a letter from Lewis
Samuel Gay died to day - Mrs
Bosom of Galesburg - died last
Wednesday - 1st Apr. Election
and funeral of Sam Mosby - son. 1st of
Gay - I was called to draw the
likeness - 2nd rode to Pk -
called on the jury. but had no business
so discharged a letter at noon
staid over night at the Exchange Hotel
3rd day horse shoe morning -
a case of Brown - of Wilkes & Hall - all
up - 11. 65 - 10.
4th appearance of rain stopped over night
lost with Mr E Brown - a case
of Nichols on the sally requires
without license - brought in guilty -
another Jury trial of Gill and Tunn
for cutting timber - decided against Tunn
5th lost night a terrible S E storm
very high wind - snow and hail
all day. Abner got drunk and
lay out all night - a suit of
supervisors against Hawley for
obstructing the highway - decided
against Hawley - 6th sunny
morning - ground white with snow
covered over - ~~my~~ went home
7th appearance of rain - rode
to Pk - rainy nearly all day
Entered room tried for ~~with~~
- assisting officer - found guilty
I was called on jury - case of
Hix & Mucker for damages
against the daughter - paid \$100
8th clear and cool - called on at suit
Parkers & Hall on account
of sale of land and notes -
another trial - people damages at

The Elmhurst house - 9th clear and cool - Lucy still hanging - not open all night = returned home -

10th cool N.E. wind - appearance of rain

12th rain storm again - 13th still raining when I was in the farm work again -

my discharges times - the river out to the town - very different getting on -

14th N.E. wind cold - misty - gloomy time -

15th took potatoes to West's got .65 per bu.

slight showers - corn and oats falling in grain 25 - cash - now -

18th went to Rome to get Linn's book very bad getting on - have to ferry on the east of the bridge - doubtful - appearance of rain 19th cold N.E. wind but little rain let Orrin Battell have \$5.00 -

sowed oats - 22nd frost to day - oats

24th plowed with first Whippoorwill

27th - Presant Blanchard preached at the meeting house - I visited Laid last

night - 28th frost the morning - we are

plowing for corn - 29th rain to day

Darius taken sick - snow squalls -

May 1st 1851 extremely cold - froze my run near the house solid - very high N.W. wind - have to put on a overcoat and mittens and the shoes -

2nd froze - have lost night - very frosty a winter morning - 3rd after noon rain

storm - discouraging time - Horace Clark & wife visited here - finished cutting corn

stalks 5th frost and ice again - potatoes

6th frost again - 7th warm after a long time of cold - Plowed my garden -

9th visited H. B. Waters - Thunder showers

10th school meeting - voted to buy for a school house - Laid out near Mr. Dorrill's

12th Thunder showers -

14th Began planting corn - 15th

Appearance of more rain 16th heavy

thunder showers - with hail -

we shall be obliged to stop work -

17th heavy thunder showers all the

afternoon - very high full of water -

18th Thunder showers again - ok dear me!

20th Began planting in the Prairie field. had an
imitation to Mary's day wedding - 21st thunder
showers with hail. one after the other - Oh! de
ad when shall we get done planting. -
hardest rain we know. fences and bridges
swept off - 9 in of water fell in 10 hours
Mey. 23rd let Orrin Bostick then \$10.00
24th worked for Mr. Bostick worn from
quite a heavy frost - fences white with it
25th Mr. Gorn preached here 26th afternoon of
rain again. - planted corn - at night
a very heavy thunder shower - so we will have
to begin by again - the river very high -
canal all under water up to Ottawa -
28th planted Potatoes. afternoon of rain
the Cholera, in St. Louis & Springfield
31st Horace Clarke's mother was killed
on the Funk hill. by a fall from the way
on her way home to Buffalo
helped Hawks shell corn 1/2 day -
1st June. 1851 Thunder showers last night
3rd another rain storm - last night
finished planting corn - yesterday - Began
plowing corn - 4th another thunder
storm - poor prospect for corn -
some people still plowing for corn
5th another rain storm - husken in faster
6th finished ditching about 200 rods.
at 10 o'clock - 7th threshed 700 bu corn -
at night a very heavy thunder storm
with hail - 11th another rain last night
corn down to 25th - 12 moved Walter's
fence. at night another rain storm
Jennie came home - wet - wet -
14th rainy day - another flood -
15th thundering and raining yet. Oh! dead
grooves corn done. paid then \$31.00 of
Peter's money. let Ambrose here \$20.00
my bill was \$8.32 at 3/11 return \$8.00
17th went to westly city - returned by Grand
21st another rain storm. -
the assessor came yesterday - David
cut his foot - worked on the road
23rd worked on the road -
26th went to Pekin to make return
of school tax - & - - -
27th another smothering rain storm
heavy thunder - another flood -

28th trial of Road at Browns-Town
and a tremendous rain storm. Thunder
the M^{rs} horned? gave in property &
assessors

8 horses } 1 - 2 yr. }	300.00
23 cows.	184.00
7 - 2-yr.	49.
10 - 1 yr.	45.
12 hogs.	12.
27 sheep.	20.
wyppens. 50. 25.	
carriges. 20 20	115.
	115
watch -	10.
clocks	15.
all other - paper	160.
corn in crib 500.	63.
land -	973.00
money loaned	950.00
land	1923.60
	3741.75
	\$ 5664.75

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15 1/2 days
6 days 3 days 9
15 1/2 days
6 days 3 days 9
15 1/2 days
6 days 3 days 9

1st July - took 141 bu oats to
Wesley city - got only 20 c. - it might
another tremendous rain storm
4th July - celebrated the day at N. London
by a packing Butter in 2 gal. crocks
weight. 8 1/4 - 5th took the last
of our oats to Wesley, dreadful bad
roads. corn advancing - 32 c. in Price
Cholera on the increase. in Price
10 deaths on train. of Cholera
6th lost another fresh. stair
at home from church - 7th began
harvesting wheat. extremely warm
8th & 9th thunder showers - very hot
10th I am sick threatened with the
Bilious fever. clear pleasant day -
quite a curiosity - 11th had a slight
chill - 12th the Agent in earnest
on me - about 12 o'clock -

13th had the doctor.

9^{3/4} lb. crock of Butter —

extremely hot weather. 98° — —

20th went to meeting - Ellen taken sick

21st Ellen better from all night. Days
mowing grass - I am getting mowed —

22nd raining after quite a dry spell —

23rd cut our spring wheat. I begin to work
again. Susan started off pretty day before
yesterday — 24th cut Amherst wheat

29th again again, raining - our folks went
Blackburn's — 31st very sick day —
at night took again pills. Augustine
taken with the ague. Bertram has
the ague. 2nd Aug. missed my ague today

3rd great rain storm from the N. E. —

9th finished harvesting oats. laid brick
for Harry Campbell, 10th morning. 11th last night
a very heavy thunder storm, streams high
again — I took an ague pill this morning,

12th wheat growing in the shock
thunder shower off east in night

the water fell 10 in this last rain - farm
- creek higher than it has been this year

13th wind, a little from Lebanon N. H

Libra Storms - 17th Sunday. went to church

cloudy. stopped at Gales - 18th potatoes all

taken with the rot in the garden, still cloudy.

oppression of rain. Susan gone to Havana

and Bath - pretty lightening and —

23rd thunder shower - got in all our

grain except one load - Augustine

very sick with the ague. Darius has

the Diarrhoea. Margaret vomiting.

nearly all sick, all sick at Moffatt's

great many sick about —

23rd mowed in my orchard -

was stung 2 times with Bumble Bees

on my ankle. it swelled and pained

me so that I was laid up -

1st Sept. 1851 foggy. I started for Galesburg

with Susan - stopped at Plover and

rode on to Brimfield. very hot.

and dusty. staid over night at Mr.
Brooks a little west of Brimfield

2nd arrived at Galesburg - took supper

at Mr. Bescom's. Staid all night at

the town. took several sketches of
Goldsburg 3^d started homeward. very
hot weather and dusty roads. rode 40
4th got back to Maria bought the chain
for a pump. 28 ft. chain 180 lb. lb.
wh. 125 lb. got home about noon.
6th stacked corn grass hay - very hot.
7th common day had my little boy
named. Sister Brandt. Mr. Emerson
and Gay had their children christened.
12th very hot and dry. roads very
dusty. Abagail Burkhons here
visiting. 13th very hot. in the evening
heavy thunder shower. the first
rain for a long time. 14th cool N.E.
wind muddy roads. Auguste has
the ague again. 15th threshed our
corn in my barn. 16th Father stalled
for Uncle Isaac. as for now visiting.
21st Sunday. rain storm. in the morning
Mother and Sister visited here. went to
Jails. 26th stacked hay. Father got back
from Uncle Isaac. Mr. Barthel has the
ague as has Walter.

25th first frost. 28th a killing
frost. a little ice in ponds
water has the ague = ague
quite common. on 7th prairie
30th Rode letter from Dan Smalley
1st gathered apples yesterday and today
6th sent a letter to Dan Smalley
7th and \$84.90 from Stator. 7th threshed
and wheat. very dry time.
10th Oct. Began sowing wheat. ground
baked and dry. it cannot come up. with
rain. Digging potatoes, many have
rotted. 20th cut timber for Walter's
house. got his time home
27th letter for Mr. Barthel. Walter having
his cellar wall built. extremely dusty
and dry. 29th rain storm.
3rd Nov. Began harvesting corn
very poor = 4th Election. voted for
the general banking law.
5th first snow - squalls.

13th 11th finished getting corn in on
9th field. high wind N.E. afternoon
of a storm - at night it began to
21 hail. then rain through the night
21 Doherty - wound me on the side
me we are back one day - brought
22 2 pumpkins chains & wheels. am 10th
23 of lead - paid \$6.20 - 12th still
eye continue the rain Enock Morse co
yes here visiting - 13th rain? - rain? in
24 sold our young cattle calves for
15 3 to 4 dollars yearlings from 5 to 8 a
at 19th another rain storm; getting
to corn - corn worth 25¢ in Rose
to and 20¢ in Pekin. - 20th stormy
3 above - blustering - 23rd took my cow
to Mr. Hastings. paid \$12.00 for another
a knife a little snow on the ground
a 27th rain shut. - Thanks giving
1 day - went to Charles Waters -
turned calf. 28th finished getting
- corn - 29th clear N.E. wind -
1 went to church on fast
2 Dec. 4th went to Mr. Matthews with
c 5 or 6. Moved Walters timber for his
to house - quite moderate weather
of read a letter from Peter Bennett
a 8th sent a letter to Peter Bennett -
finished moving timber for Walters
house. yesterday rain storm -
9th Brother day 44 yrs. old. -
Ambrose & wife here. had roasted
turkey - a little snow on the ground
12th high wind N.W. cold -
13th winter weather at last -
14th snow storm 2 or more -
15th 16th below zero. That will do
over all day - 16th still snow - 15th
17th 12th below - no work done -
19th sent a letter to Dan S. Smalley
a killed hogs. 18 in number.

20th took hogs to market - got
\$4.00 - freshened - cold day -

21st went to Rome crossed in the ice
old Mr. Camelin died a few days since
24th quite moderate weather to day -
26th the collector came around to day
Rm. - printed paper 27th warm
rain - sleet - ice - cleared out the barn
28 - foggy damp day - sandy - wrote a letter
to Julius - 29th began threshing wheat -

Jan 1st 1852 - - - - -

attended a party at H B Waters -
misty in the morning - cloudy all day
very rough roads - 4th went to church
storm snow - sleet - 5th snowed all night
ran 4 in deep snow - 8th snow storm
on 1 in - went to Rome in a sled -

Wrote \$4.87 wheat .55 cts 17.1
11th 7° below zero - 12th Election at
Morton for Co. Judge - 12° below zero
no days - frosty air - 12th visited Mr. Gipp
13th snowy - dry in a wood pile
18th 4° below zero - severe cold all day
wrote a letter to Julius - 19th 22° below
zero - - - - - severe at day night -

all business stopped -
Mr. Spencer preached at Morton
in the evening - 20th Mr. Spencer preached
again at Campbells School House -
21st cold again & put company -

22nd 15° below zero - What a winter!!!

17th beautiful day - drove down hay stacks

18th rainy & snowy - 21st Rm. a letter

from Julius - attended a meeting at

Mr. Sills - very muddy - at night a

heavy rain - old Dall died - of

cholera - some five or six converts

6th Feb. froming Walters house

extremely bad road - let Charles

have 100 dollars -

10th turned cold - 11th just froming for cold

high N. W. wind - built me a smoke house

15th with Geese flying, showed N. W.

wind - 18th went to a Baptist meeting -

24th raised Walter's House - 25th went to
Peoria. bought a milk harness and
a plow. & cold N.W. wind -
26th Julius came home -
29th Sunday - the first since 28 yrs ago
I had an ague chill. 1st March 1852. co
22nd had another hard chill Julius started
for Galesburg. frosty windows. the swing
the bridge at Peoria knocked off by N.
blows - but purposely - they have sent to
Peoria for a ferry boat - 4th a horrible ch
raining last and today thunder -
7th Sunday expecting a chill to night - cloud
8th had a slight chill last night - thunder
shows - very warm - Walter's workmen
came on to day to work on his house -
12th raining all the week - mud - mud!!
Charles Hinman, arrived from California
I am nearly well - begin to work a little
13th rain harder than ever - when will it stop -
14th Sunday - clear and windy - getting the fence w
blown down 17th very cold. 10° above
20° 2° above zero - afternoon - great
snow storm - 21st I had a chill
4 hours long - 22nd another long chill
25th another chill. most beautiful weather
27th another slight chill - rain & snow
28th rain with thunder from the N.E. -
29th still raining. 31st another chill
1st Apr. 1852. snow 2 in deep this morning
discouraging for farmers - 2nd a hard ch
but Lockwood bought 19.00 - the spiritual
appings at Mr. Butts - great story -
4th a severe chill. 5th storms very night
heavy snow storm - wind in. deep now
6th Election day clear and pleasant snow
going off fast - had another chill -
7th rain again. mud. and water all
over - horrid roads - 10th rain, rain -
11th warm beautiful day. - 18th rain
18th showing - put up a bush for soap
19th Alonzo Gitchell comm. board
here - Begun salarizing for cats -
20th Levi Mothers married to Mrs. Sill
21st raining last night -
25th a horrible rain storm - discou
tunes for farmers - when will it stop

26th first. Whiff pro willo. sent \$150 to
 the L. Estiman - so and impossible -
 gloomy times for farmers - 30th thunder
 showers - with rain - when will the be get
 weather - 1st May 1852 sowed my
 oats in the garden - drying day -
 7th shower - began shoveling the school house
 8th heavy thunder shower last night -
 9th Sunday - rain all night very dry flooded again
 gloomy prospect for farmers - I have now plowed
 for corn yet - and still engaged on the school
 house - 13th finished the school house -
 plowed my garden - heavy thunder shower
 rain about twice a week - enough enough!!!!
 15th went to gillens - raked my corn stalks
 appearance of rain 17th began plowing for
 corn - sent a letter to Julius. The spiritual
 rappings at Ambrose - and Bartlett -
 cool N.W. wind fear there will be a frost
 18th school began - Pitcher began planting
 22nd rain storm. Meeting to vote for school
 tax - voted 50 to - saw a writing
 medium - had a conversation with Mary's
 spirit - 26th very heavy rain storm
 28th began planting corn -
 1st June 1852 finished planting corn
 others are replanting - very warm - Comfort
 Smith & wife visiting here -
 5th Mr. Bunker died of Cholera and buried
 in our burying ground - Cholera in Prairie
 Pk. & Worley City - also over the prairie -

Assessment for 1852

		ac.	in	val
3 horses	50.00	{ 98 1/4	- 8	\$ 818.00
9 cattle -	75.00			
7 sheep.	5.60	47	3	141.00
8 hogs -	8.00	23 1/2	3	70.50
2 waggon	30.00	26 3/4	5 1/2	146.10
1 clock -	2.50	20.	3	60
all other property	50.00	10.	4	40
cash & money	400.00			1275.60
	\$ 21.10			

9th planted potatoes. 10th planted
 muskmelons, peaches and pumpkins -
 my corn is being destroyed by insects, mice
 and birds.

11th planted corn on the sad. also
Beans - and replanted corn -
getting very dry - 12th went to Plover
14th sheared sheep - began plowing out corn
very dry. rather - 17th heavy showers
19th finished working corn first time
24th attended Margitta funeral -
visited Mr. Emersons - 25th Junius
returned from Galesburg. I went to Plover
and to Westly City. 27th heard Mr
White preach twice. People not pleased
with him - 29th began plowing corn 2nd
thunder showers - 30th went to Galesburg
another death by Cholera a boy at
the Gillmans Oct 5th school - let Peter Ki
have \$5.00 to be paid a week from me
July 3rd finished plowing my corn 2nd time
visited Chas. M. Campbells - sold my sheep
RD. \$2.30 int. for George Waters -
July 4th Sunday. some cloudy.
7th began haying - very warm 100° in the shade
very dry. - 8th thunder showers - much rain
have a hired man - 10th dried in hay -
to my horse. - 12th began plowing corn
the 3rd time - thunder showers -
Capt. Goodrich has the Cholera -
18th Harriet sick. Junius home
19th worked for Ambrose. harvest -
20th finished cutting hay. 21st Mr. Wood
fruit agent. has soaked up my hay -
24th with Aling, Gibbels up to
July 26th due Lee Roberts \$34.10 -
28th cut my oats. Mr. Lyford visited Plover
29th went to Plover to see the great
Manager. - a case of Cholera there
a man buried there. died of it. Hardscuphale
1st Aug. 1852. Mr. Moffat sick long from
the Brookway, has the Cholera
2nd Mr. Brookway died of Cholera
went to Plover visited Mr. Balch
8th this morning. a heavy thunder shower
a great blessing. crops were suffering for
wells. were going dry - yesterday threshed

for Ballard - finished stacking for A.B.R.
10th began laying - my brick mill house
Charles on mind. much. Brinj. Agnes died
several have the cholera in Tremont -
26th Mr. Brown and son on. Mackinac died
of Cholera - 27th Mr. Stevens and wife
visited Mr. Jimins left here - for a year
to come - got my lumber all hauled
for my house - 28th dug a well
15 ft. no water. 29th went to Tremont
to church. Mr. Spencer preached -
29th dug another well and found water
the boys went after time -
30th got my nails glass sash & - The Cholera
bad in Washington. 4 out of our family died
Cephus Ward died also of Cholera - along time
2nd a fine rain last night. Oh! how
good - our heavenly Father is - to us
mercies - Sept. 6th windy day - still some
cider left. 12 yrs. old - Mashed - my rats
extremely dry - walls failing all around
my yearling colt died of snake bite.
9th Eggs Hittle died. hurt at a raising
began hauling off rats at 15.00 -
10th sowed wheat 5 bu. David Simons
of Washington died of Cholera
11th showery day - Oh! how good the rain is
12th cold chilly day - attend Wesleyan
quarterly meeting. 13th first frost
16th Sept. Borrowed \$130.00 of Mr. Hughes
for one year. at 10 per cent int. to pay specie
pulled my beavers. gathered some apples
18th rain storm N.E. 19th still raining - on day
20th still misty. 21st cleared up. it lost
22nd sent a load of Apples to Koria
26th quite a frost. - 27th gathered Apples
30th let Ballard have \$10.00 for a few
days, finished getting apples nearly -
hewn 150 bu. of apples - 1st Oct. 1852
raining. pulled the first corn for the hog
2nd still raining. our walls all going
dry - great scarcity of water all around
hauled. 1600 Bricks - 3rd Oct. put all
calves under. my Renter House
8th raining day. bed again. no more
going by constantly. - 12th pitbull come
to harvest corn - sold. 20th to apples -
understand the school house

15th frost killing frost - Walter horse
into the ditch - hewed my sills for my

23rd framed M. sills. to my house -
my days will grow day again

28th heavy rain last night. warm
weather - framing my house -

30th still rainy. nearly a week of
rainy weather. and no appearance of

winter yet - 1st Nov. 1852
rainy day again -

2nd Election day. cloudy. - cold -
3rd rainy day - 4th still raining. - med. -

5th cleared up last night after nearly 2 in
storm - all rough roads.

10th snow storm. killed old cow and 2
turkeys - on a wild one a 16th another snow

storm. 3 in deep. went to Kenoia with
Bess - roads very bad - 18th killed

3 hogs. and a calf - 24th rainy -
cloudy and stormy - for 4 weeks past

had time for husking corn - corn spoiled
- my. - killed a opossum. -

1st Dec. clear and pleasant. - picking corn
with two hired hands - Gitchell, my runt

has run away - 5th rainy day. went to
Obispo with Mr. Miffott to get advice

about getting Gitchell's corn for debt
5th Sunday. very windy - cleared up in

the morning. Sanson Miffott is here
shaking with theague

7th a great snow storm about a foot
now 1 o'clock still snowing -

yesterday finished picking corn. in the
morning late hour 148 lbs the getting

of Gitchell's corn -
12th Sunday. snow if it 2 in. last night

very windy last - it has been clear
all the time and snow a little every day

the trees bend down with the snow
the roads - almost impassable - a

foot of snow. and under it mud
and water - 14th found my calf - strayed

John fell on the sled and hurt himself
15th killed hogs - very pleasant day

16th rainy cleared off after noon
wind shifted into N. W. cold. high

wind took my pork to Wabash City

had 1166 lb. at 5c amount \$58.50
18th got my stray steer home - paid \$2.00
yesterday high wind very cold -
21st killed hogs for Amherst - 22nd for Davis
roads pretty good now - rain storm
25th a party at Mr. Emersons - snow storm
27th rainy day - 31st finished picking corn
1st Jan. 1853

fine day. cut out fence near north
of my orchard - 3rd went to Vienna - yesterday
snow storm - 4 in 4 + 5th done one
a wood pile - Fanny Hathaway not yet
back to town but a few days -

8th Fanny Hathaway died - at 12 o'clock
yesterday afternoon - I have been pulling
wool for her in my house -

9th maid Mrs. M. Parker of Galesburg
preached at the church about disorganizing
foggy and muddy - 10th Mrs. Hathaway
buried still foggy bad roads -

Mr. Martin preached the funeral sermon
17th cold day wind N.W. clear

moved the farm - Mr. Ballou's rain
away - in debt - 20th built up the
finished the roof - James came home
after breakfast with the new work
to night set beyond the river -

25th cold 2nd horse died - laying floor in
clear - N.W. wind - 31st Jan. warm weather
moved my old stable - James still
for Galesburg - Feb 1st Francis B. Clark

had a small quantity of cabbage &c in
3rd funeral of James B. Martin
finished snow storm -

12th in Laramie. paid in \$1000 at

15th got a delivery horse - snow
a little finished taking my house
16th snow 3 or 4 in deep -

17th visited my mother's house
the Baptists have a protracted
meeting at Horton -

22nd my mother moved in -

13th visited Mr. H. Clark -
25th went to Austin city and Galesburg

1st March 1853 went in a
house. A. W. ...
Mar. 3rd sent a letter for Books
and a paper to ... warm
beautiful weather 6th Dr. Darius
buried to day. 7th sent letter -
8th N.E. snow storm cold. high wind
Crim Barthol paid me \$16.00 -
10th visited Charles Waters. rain storm
11th cooler. very muddy -
22nd took apple out of the hole
and found the sound and fine
Began trimming apple trees -
Neighbors. Began plowing -
24th visited Mr. Cornwall. got 2
Library Books. History of Ireland -
split rails to dig - Charles Wood married
26th Anne sick. information of the earl
Dustin has the Chicken pox.
made a cover to Bartlett's chest. rain
storm yesterday. and last night -
Darius sewed pass - 28th finished
trimming apple trees - Jay's visit
here - 29th built a chimney
for Mr. Sharp. charge \$1.00
30th my old dog died in the harness
going to mill - Durino came from
31st took Susan to Pavia -
Mr. Gore was buried to day -
raked my corn stalks -
Apr. 1st 1853 beautiful day. mowed
my garden - 2nd got \$74.50 turf money
began repairing fence -
5th Election. I was elected Poor master
again - very high wind - 8th sowed
my oats - high wind. grafted for
Darius - 11th rain storm - 12th
still raining. grafted my orchard
school Began to day - 15th
as Poor master I went to see an
orphan Boy H. rain again N.E.
17th Rev. L. Spencer buried in
Pavia. died of consumption. Mr. Par
Pomachus at Ducon street

18th went to Wroby City - got sacks.
54 = another rain storm - plowed a
strip in my garden - set out onions
sent a letter to Linn, 19th - left
night a very rain. farmers will have
to lay by - 20th went to Pitkin on
poor substitute business. Sublett coming
board here - got a letter from Linn
21st heavy rain. Thunder shows
down some grubbing - 22nd went to
John Whitey. got an orphan boy bound
to him. 23rd N.E. high wind. rain. rain.
Thunder & very discouraging times
24th cold. misty day. 25th = cold frosty
morning. day - frost blossoms begin to open
Apr. 26th recd \$55.00 of N B Huntington
on a Note dated July 5th running 9 mo. 21st do.
went to Viroia got \$1.10 for Apples 6 eggs 17.
butter - 28th rainy again -
1st May. heavy thunder shown - went
to hear M. Gregg at Morton -
2nd rained all night - when will grain rise
- the corn and? and? - 3rd rainy day -
4th Mare has a calf. - another rainy
day. 5th another rainy day = when
will the storm be over - the river
must be as high as ever known
at this rate = mud water & mud
and nothing else - - - - - !!!!!!
6th went to Groveland - at night raining
7th showers to day - a windy off
hope = sent a letter to Linn yesterday
but week bought 4400 hedge plants
for which I paid \$7.80 and Darling \$1.00
8th & 9th showery. cold. went to Groveland
over worse roads - traded off my old
Buggy and got a new one horse wagon
paid \$42.50 boot - hunted my wife
been gone since Friday morning - 10. clear
and cold. 11th a frost. - cold. N.E.
wind - ground wet. backward time
Mr. Pate starts East. - set my hedge
14th finished setting hedge - a pleasant rain
put two mares to a horse - insured at \$350
each - 16th plowed my garden as
planted it - thunder showers -

17th May. Began plowing for corn.
 Thunder showers. 18th of morning of
 weather - 20th frost. finished plowing
 for corn. 22nd Began planting corn
 23rd Thunder showers. killed a
 Opossum - 25th finished planting corn
 26th finished planting potatoes -
 1st below freezing frost - frost.
 northern lights. last night -
 and got letter from Junius -
 28th went to Peoria to trade made a bill
 of 31 dollars. took my price of 35th for corn
 29th very heavy thunder and lightning - heavy
 1st June 1853 Caught a corn in a trap.
 done my thrashing corn. with Crosby on
 2nd heavy thunder showers last night.
 another one the day set out sweet
 -atoes & cabbage. 5th took a load
 of corn to West City.

Assets must for 1853.

2 horses	\$ 65.00
5 cows 2 2 yr 1 yr	70.00
8 pigs	20.00
2 waggons	20.00
1 clock	2.00
money loaned	1200.00
all other property	130.00

1507.00

Indebtedness

375.00

1132.00

8 1/2 SW-7-47-3	141.
NW SW. " 25-3	69.
NW 1/4 18 98 1/4 9	884.25
NW 1/4 NE " 4-9	36.
E 1/2 SE. " 26 1/2 6	160.50
NE NW. " 40-3	30.
SW NE SE - 30-3 1/2	70
Sum 10 finished taking corn off and	2522.75

31 Oct 20. settled took due bill \$47.50
 12th June Began plowing out corn
 dry handsome weather -

Interest on last yr
 on land 115.11
 on p. property 510.90

17th went to Mill took 6 bu wheat
and 2 bu. corn - found the age of
my old Mare - 17 yrs. this last
spring, and Lopez - is 4 to 5 yrs.
I have a large bite on my leg - which
makes me nearly sick

22nd yesterday - began plowing corn 2nd time
heavy thunder shower, light wind - it blew
down the lowest tree in the corner of the
orchard - 23rd worked the roads - 24th worked
roads afternoon with a breeze

30th working on the Giltens barn
slight showers - want of rain

31st July. a splendid rain - now
corn and potatoes can grow -

1st July went to Prairie

4th Began harvesting wheat. clear
breeze day - fine weather in
Prairie River & a breeze -
5th finished cutting wheat.

6th began plowing corn 3rd time
the Peter returned 8th June, come
home - finished plowing corn 3rd time

9th harvested for another shower
in sight - 12th began plowing corn

14th yesterday Began haying
Sundries started for 15th tomorrow today.

15th laid my corn fields -
fine rain last night - fine
growing time -

July 23rd stacked my wheat -

24th fine rain, growing in

27th had a false tooth put in

28th 50 = got a cow - 29th = fast went
after Black berries - and a lot for
Horn - that is - 31st fine rain

yesterday stacked my oats -

1st Aug. went Black berry -

3rd went to Greenlain and exchanged
corn cobs in gave my note for \$60.00
to cash - 4th went to school and saw
my new carriage

626.05 total

another thunder shower. 5th split stacks
for my pasture fence. 12th thrashed for
Bartholomew. 13th thrashed for Walter
extremely hot. nearly gone out
14th last night thunder shower -
still very hot weather. 15th began mow
prairie grass. Ann sick with fever
16th called a Dr. to Ann she has the
Billious fever - 22nd Edw Van Horn
up on a visit. Mary ran lost
night. 24th stacked prairie hay
a commitment to be seen in the west
Road. \$15.00 int. of David Bartholomew
25th Ann has another chill.
Benedict sick with fever & gloomy
temper - finished stacking hay.
26th went to mill with 7 1/2 bu whe
Ann had another chill.
28th first frost. Peter has the Bill
fever. Ann sick. 29th sold 20 bu
Apples at 12 1/2. \$25.00. worked for
Peter 1/2. 30th got my great house
worked on the road. heavy thunder
showers = quite unpleasant - stream
in wells were drying up.
Sept. 1st made pump curbs for
Mr Peter. very warm weather.
2nd peaches ripe = 3 Surins gone
to Bloomington.
5th Ann had a head chill. go.
took Surin to Persa on his way
to Galena. 7th Ann had another
head chill. called the Dr. in.
8th Amanda began work here
Augusta taken sick with Billious
fever - 13th thrashing for Da
14th last night heavy rain
thunder all day for 2 days.
15th thrashed my grain had
50 1/2 bu wheat and 3 9/16 bu oats
16th thrashed for Ambrose - red.
better from Surin.
17th extremely hot weather - thunder
and light showers. Ann has the
again very other day. Bal. 1 1/2 bu ones
of David Bartholomew.

20th = dries sand for plastering - cool
night & 21st just killing frost -
24th = made my mortar. Election for
a rail road county stock -
27th = Began plastering venters house -
sold 15 bu apples - for $\frac{270}{120}$
 $\frac{220}{120}$
29th finished plastering venters house
rain storm from N.E. = gladly
received both my wells nearly dry -
1st Oct. & gathered 6^{1/2} bu. Butternuts
corn has broken the Agave at last -
3rd Began gathering Apples -
heavy frost. corn and vines quite
killed now - 6th finished gathering apples
extremely dry - great want of stock water
both my wells nearly dry = what shall
we do - ??? - 9th = storm shown last
night. - Mr Wm Martin died today
10th = Ann has a chill - 11th = went to
Plover with a load of wheat for Decatur
got 800 - another chill - 12th = rain
last night - 15th = made mortar for
school House - 17th = began plastering school
house, very dry - great want of stock
water - 19th = finished plastering school
House - got a bottle of Colagozene
for Ann - for 150.5
20th = I approved the personal property
of Mr Martin deceased -
22nd = A.W. wind high and squally
with rain. dry two wells. great want
of water. both my old wells dry -
Ann has the shakies again on her
the next the dumb ass -
24th = 10° above zero frost on the windows
and that some cold fingers and toes
gathered my cider apples - 25th = Began
laying brick for Ambrose -
27th = 16° Above zero. gathered of storing
all day Elizabeth came here to work
but Thursday - 1st Nov. smoky and
cloudy - a little spirit of hail
knocked the walls of Ambrose cellar
5th = finished building Ambrose cellar
pulled my two riffs - extremely
dry - both wells dry - cool night
6th = rainy & windy all day -
Ann had a chill -

9th hauled my turneps and put in
a load of corn = cleared off - coal -
Recd a letter from Lucius yesterday
10th Butchered. old jowls & cow
11th went to Provia sold at 4 and 5
cts. Butter at 16 cts.
they are raising the tressle work at the
Bridge for the rail Road -
14th Began harvesting corn. -
18th finished appraising the estate of John &
Martin - 20th Sunday. rainy last night
which was gladly received. great want of
water - all the new wells going dry -
there will be great distress if it should
freeze up without heavy rains -
23rd = appraised a hog & took up at \$4.75
began feeding him. the 27th last month -
putting corn - turned cold after a long warm
spell = girls going to school
28th = rainy - Oh may it be a heavy rain
putted 2 loads notwithstanding - the rain
1st Dec. rainy - & clear & cold & windy
putted corn to 5th finished putting
corn - 6th got my horses shod
Began feeding cattle -
8th went to Provia with butter. got 18 cts per lb
15th day - for eggs - 400 a barrel for cider
paid Charles Newman \$25.00
Dec. 11th at 2 o'clock John Ali was born
was born. warm handsome weather -
12th went to Groveland with barrels for cider
got Mrs. Packard to come at nurse
Ann - 14th went to Hancock
and made 7 lbs. cider -
15th went to Provia and sold 5 bbls.
cider & got for 350 to 400 per bbl -
16th snow storm - wet and muddy
19th snow storm, 19th keen cold
weather - Ann took cold & quite
sick - 20th and S.E. cold.
22nd kitted old ferry. snow storm
23rd went to Provia - sold 3 bbls
at 4 and 5 cts. hauled 4 lbs. etc.
yesterday called the Dr. to attend -
25th O.K. times 8 lbs. wine. appearance
of 26th In Harb. time to see them
30th finished digging a well in the yard - no
water sold. 2nd day shakedown 30 lbs. dry
turned cold with snow squalls

1st Jan 1854 - cold blustering day
 snow 3 in. deep. Dr. Harris banded
 Ann's breast - 2nd = 80 below zero
 went to mill with 5 1/4 bu wheat of new
 crop let Mr Peter have \$41.15
 sheep mending - 3rd = killed hogs
 4th took them to River got. from 375
 4 off 4.00 for lid. in all \$67.85 - warm
 and muddy - 6th below zero very cold
 all day & settled my mind in time of Lord
 11th = snow storm. picked corn for
 Walter 13th = extremely cold and blustering
 14th = Election of school Trustees -
 good sheding - 16th = cold - cloudy
 paid taxes of 21.50 in the town -
 children all sick with colds - myself
 and Ann also - drew 4 loads of wood
 19th = Sister Bronck. sick with Lung-
 fever - called the Dr. 20th = out for the afternoon
 20th = cold day - 21st = last night extremely cold
 120 below zero - 22nd = 80 below zero -
 Sister no better - 23rd = almost dead
 cold - 170th below zero - 18th = 60 below zero -
 24th = paid. Father present on a note
 now due on the note $\begin{matrix} 80.00 \\ 18.30 \\ \hline 61.70 \end{matrix}$
 Taxes for 1853 - \$24.26
 raining - oh? for a heavy rain. walls
 all dry yet. cattle have to look for snow
 or die - 25th = Ann has the ague again
 began digging another well - better better
 27th = tot. 500 brick paid 50 for ad. & own
 postage - 30th = warm - very muddy
 helped Walter finish picking corn
 folks all well now -
 1st Feb. went to pines. warm and muddy
 wheat worth 1.15 ct. cent. 25 corn 32
 potatoes 30 - 14th = got my wages on
 pay - stormy. turned cold -
 15th = clear and cold sheding - on
 bait and snow - 18th = Sunday meeting
 at Pleasant Grove. agreed to employ
 Everett Hurlbut to preach for one year
 20th = Great storm of rain the snow
 28th = storm. hail snow & went to
 the Emersons - his is the 3rd typhoid
 fever - 1st March. warm & showery
 day. finished laying up my potato
 place -

5th Mer. clear beautiful morning
6th 20th a Nebraska meeting of the
1st corner - 12th Ralph shot a mad
1st cow of Darius - went to Bacon Street
to church - looks like rain at night
22nd visited Charles. Wilson. 23rd
went to P. Rileys wife funeral. took
the license of the corpse
12th Apr. 1854. very cold snow
equally - day - made a plow beam
for Mr. Bartlett. yesterday sowed
oats. rainy then -
Apr. 4th Election - rainy day -
yesterday sent a letter to the
Washington insurance Company
sent \$15.00 - and \$3.00 for
D. P. Roberts - and 3rd hauling off
my oats - got 22 cts. -
9th Sunday - went to church -
10th finished hauling off oats
170 bu. \$39.00 - (w)
13th went to mill at Tournant. with 6 bu
1st corn 14th rainy day - good!!
Apr. 20 planted potatoes in corn
22nd made rider. Junius
at home. in a visit - painted
the school house this week -
25th visited these dates -
26th Began plowing for corn
rain in the afternoon thunder & light
27th heavy rain last night - cold
N.E. wind this morning -
yesterday Junius started for Galveston
let him have \$35.00 -
28th very cold - ground frozen - then to
Dick Higgins died of cholera at
Lacon - cholera in Washington
30th cold frosty morning. frost all
killed I suppose -
1st May - plowing for corn
my neighbor began plowing corn
2nd finished plowing for corn -
Old man has a cold blaze face
horse cold - 5th cousin Sam
S. Smolly arrived here - proposed
my corn ground - 6th visited Mr
Emerson's - 3 or 4 cases of cholera
in Russia - very bad at Pina del

7th Sunday - cold N.E. wind for several
days - 8th began planting corn
very dry - at night fine rain with
light thunder & light -

10th Doper. has a cold - male cold -

13th by same storm. Major Bullen
stopped here - Mary taken
with the lung fever - 14th went
to Mr Emersons for some medicine
for Mary - she is very sick

15th called Dr. Harris to see Mary

she is very sick - 17th heavy rain storm

18th wind & cold rain over -

Mary a little better - the babe sick

21st Sunday - clear and pleasant - the Babe

had the ear ache all right - Mary better

22nd frosty morning - 25th took wheat

to Plover - got \$1.25 per bu - corn

30 in oats 28 - very warm

and a letter to Mary

26th went to Plover again bought

160 lb sugar for 6 1/2 ct. per lb. - eclipsed

of the sun the day - thunder showers

and a little fine weather -

30th made a gate for A.B.H. heavy thunder

showers - sold a shawl place to P. Cornwall

31st took old mare to the - muddy

sent \$2.00 to the Free West -

1st June 1854 clear and pleasant

N.E. wind - went to West City -

contracted my corn to Mr Lyford

at 35 ct. - 3rd began plowing but corn

6th Anti Slavery meeting at morning

I am to write to F. Douglass

to get him to lecture to us

showery - now a days - 7th mostly

wet and disagreeable -

8th Assessment 1854

3 horses - 100.00

7 cattle - 73.00

6 hogs - 18.00

1 cow - 2.00

all other pigs - 75.00

bar corn - 58.00

2 waggons - 85.00

money loan - 814.00

1225.00

1390.75

\$2615.75

as Agent
for G. M. Waters
\$135.00

Increase assessment
one last year \$93.00

1854
Road Jay. \$2.57 - worked on the road
with team - amount due on notes \$105.51
9th cleared off at lott. working the roads
12th finished plowing corn 1st time
showery - 13th took the first load
corn to market got 35^{cts} -
14th Lape J - Arrow. Began plow
corn 2nd time - 16th finished
plowing corn 2nd time. rainy warm
Mr. Blanchard visiting about here
19th 100° hot with - trumpet corn
I was summoned on a jury - about
a road - 20th went to Wesley city
took 34 $\frac{34}{56}$ bu. corn - heavy thunder
showers - 26th started plowing winter at
Morton - finished my 207 bu. corn
27th Began plowing my corn 3rd time
extreme hot weather 102° in the shade.
28th let Mr. Emerson have 22 ft of
sawed lumber - $\frac{10}{32}$
1st July - 104° in the shade - hotter
than - for many years. hunting
for my stars. Recd \$20.00 of Grand
Families at home - very dry -
3rd July. began haying for Darius
104° very hot. very thing begins to
suffer for rain
4th July - celebration at Paris
I helped Darius get up some hay
99° hot - a little thunder & rain
9th turned coal after a long hot
time 10th Began haying
13th fine shower which was very
gratifyingly received - for corn and
potatoes were drying all up -
got the first Vicksburg papers
No. 16 - vol. 1st
15th recd of Nat. Brown \$20
harvested wheat for Darius
first coty died began to say
17th lost a large hog -
18th very hot 102° and extremely
dry - little or no corn
without rain soon
24th worked harvesting for Moffat
at night - great lightning

25th August to Darin both taken sick
mowed for Darin and Frederica
26th stacked my wheat and oats.
27th finished stacking my grain
great want of rain corn all dry-
ing up - potatoes an entire failure
29th 100° very hot stacking for Walter -
31st stacked for Walter & Darin
hot and extremely dry - 102°
wells all going dry - had time
5th Aug. took a load of corn to
Wesley City 24 $\frac{5}{16}$ bu. - both my
wells gone dry - Oh! what shall we
do before winter - cattle will suffer
9th hauled two loads corn -
12th finished hauling off corn
got 3 bbls. cement for a cistern
14th went to Wesley City with corn
for Darin - got a load of same
every body digging wells - never so
dry before in this world - what will
become of us ??? - Oh dear !!!
18th began digging a cistern at the
barn - extremely dry - all the wells
dry in the country - 23rd got cistern
nearly ready for the cement -
as dry as ever and hot Oh dear
what will become of us -
25th Old Mrs. Silke died last night
finished my cistern - a little shower
28th Jennie started for Salisbury -
extremely hot and dry - 104° - will all
dry - everything suffers for water -
30th went to Keona bought 1000 ft
fencing for \$21.00 per. M.
1st Sept. hot and dry - for the last
few days. Thermometer ranged from
102° to 103° dry dry - what will
become of us - 6th began cutting up
corn - yesterday hauled 2 bbls. water
from the Glenora river - this is
scary times - people hauling water
and filling up wells and cisterns
8th a rain - little hope for more -
11th heavy thunder shower -
after so long - hot and dry - how
joyful we are. What a blessing
went to Groveland to get my
barren mended -

14th another fine rain, finished
cutting up corn = 22nd walked in
my well, both wells dry
rains a little from Geneva. —
27th took family to Theoria to
trade. I. Did 29.00 for
bought a fine coat and pants
for cost 8.50 pants 3.75
30th went to Rahim. and. robes
the Bartlett's mortgage
received - \$338.89 in gold —
1st Oct. a glorious rain —
oh! what a blessing — there
seems to be extreme suffering for
water — nearly every well in
the country gone dry —
tomorrow expect to start for
the State fair at Springfield —
Oct. 2nd started for Springfield to
the State fair, staid all night - 12 m
this side of Springfield. 3rd rode in
and reported myself - was chosen
Chairman. appointed two others
a Mr Williams of Geneva and
J. M. Clay. 4th examined the collection
of paintings and drawings —
There were copies plates & wood engr.
Lithographs - oil and water colored
pencil drawings - birds Chromotypes
and Daguerotypes - awarded diplomas
and premiums to several -
made our report after noon
went in to see a great Baa from
Africa 32 ft. long - the largest
in America - 5th visited Uncle
Lyman - 6th premiums given
on sheep - from \$800.00 in yearly
sheep sold for \$300.00 - started home
7th arrived home. 8th received a letter
from James - and wrote one to him
9th gathered 30 lbs butter -
received pay of Auburn. \$5.75.
12th fine rain - 13th 88.75 show
14th cool NW wind —
amount of cash notes outstanding
our indebtedness - \$1678.18 to —

17th moss mowing of the Anti. N. B. at Monton. Mr Cooper and I rounded the mowing 18th Dug my potatoes had 7 buckets full in all. Byon harvesting corn - Brandt taken sick - approach of rain.

24th Recd 10,150 t. of Graduzul - and
\$7.50 of Cost L. still great want of
water in wells. 26th sent M. Moffat
\$16.00 in gold - He has paid in 6 weeks
and is now in the city.

2nd went to Poria near Mr. Giddings's
make a spoke. he is a powerful man
3rd Lewis came home 4th went to Poria
and traded \$18.28 - bought 100 lb flour
coldest morning the yr - ground frozen.

7th Election - Pleasant day.

votum Anti Nibroska.

15th finished harvesting standard corn

18th went to Groveland - to, it carriage
fixed - ground white with snow -

quite snow - Bucks all bucking
 10th Jan, coming - 20th Thrushes

for Ambrose 22 rainy day

22nd Throated for 21st to alter. 24th = Throated

for Larins = 28" Some my throating
had 35 bu wheat and 113 bu oats

now nearly gone = worth \$3.66 to

20th Thanks giving day - cloudy cool
busted shack com = people have
busted water

9th Birth day, went after grist

not ground brought her a load of
wood dry! dry water could not

horses from the district - are allowed
there - what will be the result

lost my little snow ball

my winter friends and family

14th killed hags = warm with

4th took up pack to Peruvia gal

from 3.50 to 3.75 - amount

vol. 33, 00 dollars

discovered the money with Hatching

Sold 55 1/2 lb. Butter at 20 c to C. A. V.
13. 1/2 lb. Butter at 20 c to C. A. V.

Bowl = \$11.10 on credit.
20th took 32.31

20 = took 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. corn to 'Livingston
Houses here to day after a year.

21st Jan 1880 Father \$5800 in a day

gave my note to Puller & Co on a 1st

24th rainy day - the best rain since
last spring shelled corn -
25th Christmas. foggy and muddy
27th got my horses shod. cold
1.50 paid postage on two boxes. 1/4
in advance - still cloudy
and very muddy - 28th ground
white with snow = cold N.W. wind

Jan. 1st 1855

very pleasant day. attended
a party at Charles Waters -
3rd rainy - finished husking shock
corn - 6th heavy rain storm
from the S.E. - 4th a tremendous
rain both cisterns & both wells
full = so ends our trouble for
stock water for this winter
still raining - 8th made out a
deal. and sold forty acres of land
to John S. Schoenberg - 9th killed hogs
for Berens & Walter -
11th killed my hogs for own use
warm and very muddy -
13th very cold - shelled corn -
14th very severe cold morning - and
S. cloudy - 15th helped - Amherst
at 100 - 21st a tremendous snow
storm - filled our house with snow
about 15 in. the greatest snow
storm since I lived here -
22nd 10° below zero clear -
last week paid Dr. J. H. 21.32 cts
George H. Waters Dr. 1.15
23rd 22° below zero - this is going it
24th snow fell 1 1/2 in. 25th cold and
stormy. Took family to Victoria in
the cutter - 29th every day snow
originally - very cold - snow getting
towards 2 ft in the woods -
1st Feb. pleasant day. fine sleighing
took a load of corn to Eschby city
on a sled - 11th snow - storm
12th rain storm - snow
going off - we have had a fine
sleighing -
17th got sled returned -
paid 75 cts. snow going off
the scald & river in the middle of

21st warm, windy -

22nd went to Wierly City with corn -
very rough - at noon it began to snow
and snowed all the afternoon -

23rd 1st day of the year -

24th snow all day -

25th 1st day of the year -

26th 1st day of the year -

27th 1st day of the year -

28th 1st day of the year -

29th 1st day of the year -

30th 1st day of the year -

1st Mar. visited

Sad Clarke - pleasant day 2nd down one

9 loads of wood - on the slide 4th

warm S. wind snow going fast

8th warm and very muddy - snow

all gone but the drifts - getting out

timber for Walter - 10th pigeons in

great numbers flying about - heavy timber

for W.B.R. - 11th Raining day -

13th raining yesterday and to day turned

cool with snow squalls -

14th stormy at night it snowed hard

ground white - winter like -

16th snow storm - again -

19th down to zero - very cold and windy

all day 20th bright sun days and

better cold - clear - 21st and 22nd

sent for Gleason's Victoria -

down to zero - clear and cold

Mr. Codding returned in Morton

26th and 27th cold and snow squalls

made a gale - 28th cold as Greenland -

clear - 30th went to Pika - bot. sugar

160 lb. at 60c. corn worth from 40c

to 50c oats for 30 & 32c. wheat

up to 1,75c =

1st Apr. 1855. clear cold N. wind

went to Methodist meeting -

2nd N.E. wind frost - cold -

5th began sowing wheat -

12th went to Pika - rain & snow -

13th snow on ground and frost

on corn & potatoes -

first warm day for a long time

at night heavy shower of snow

which was very much wanted -

for roads were as dusty as in the

grafted for Berlin. ¹⁸⁵⁵ very hot we
19th heavy thunder showers all
night with hail - shower today
20 Apr very windy - all work laid
Rest for Jan. ¹⁸⁵⁶ \$33.41 paid Postage
on Postmark 6 mo. advance on Brother's
and I'm out up to Jan. 1st 1856. - also
my Library Jan. \$2.40
26th cut corn stalks - frost then
30th Beyond plowing for corn -
thunder showers - with hail. -
Old Mr. Caldwell did best work
1st May = a very heavy thunder
shower - very strong flood - have
to lay by plowing - at night
a total eclipse of the moon
8th frost 20th below freezing went to
Dorsey city with 50 bu oats got
45 ct. corn with 62th
9th killing frost - frost gone - frost
sent \$30.10 to Janine
The old mare has a cold day before
yesterday - 10th planted field
potatoes. John & the sick wife from
11th finished planting corn -
old Mr. Barker dropped down
dead day before yesterday
12th went to Peoria Trading
15th finished making garden fence
how my garden - heavy timber -
at night - corn up to 70 ct. - cts 49
16th great of land. work at a stall
17th rainy day - gloomy weather
19th visited H.B. Waters
25th hauled sand
27th hauled a load - in
8 weeks at the Washington
28th rain storm - with thunder
Miss Rouse died. best work -
28th sent \$1.50 for myself and \$3.00
for David to the Washington Insurance
company - reached at Peoria -
got him and lumber -
30th Walter raised his barn - heavy
rain again - yesterday I re-planted
corn - every one is all right to -

The bugs and fly are destroying the
 wheat crop - from prospect for corn
 1st June, finished planting corn - raising
 in cold - 4th heavy frost -
 very cold - went to them for
 seeds - as lumber -
 5th round up horses - 6th rain
 7th June raising the horses -
 rain & hail 9th heavy thunder
 shower last night - wind and water
 plenty - 10th clear and cool N.W.
 wind - Yesterday finished raising my
 barn - 11th went to Prairie gate
 37 lb. coffee for 5 dollars sent 50,00 dollars
 to Lewis - 16th started Emmons -
 finished plowing corn 1st time -
 17th thunder showers last night -
 very warm and -
 18th Begun processing the lawn
 of Morton 20th heavy thunder
 shower - 21st showing all day -
 1st July 1855 had new potatoes
 from grocers, time -
 4th July, clear and pleasant
 finished assessor 7th plowed
 corn 3rd time. Lewis came
 home - 8th thunder shower -
 11th July, making out the assessor's
 Books - 1855

5 horses	855.	G. M. Watson
9 cattle	188	130.
9 dogs	13.	
2 waggs.	60	
1 dish	2	
morn.	10 15.	
att. at home	75	
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23 1/2 - 3 1/2	1408.	
	82	
47 4.	188	
98 1/4 11.	1080	
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4 11.	214	
26 2/3 8. 83	015.	
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		Total amount for taxation

W B R personal property 551,

A B R. 994,

D P R. 1141,

14th heavy thunder showers -
am to meet with the Clerk & Inspec-
tor - 16th began plowing corn
4th and last time - 18th hauled
in hay from the orchard -
19th heavy thunder showers -
got my hay in in mid of time -
cut my oats - 20th hauled what
for Ambrose. He is sick -
21st and 22nd rain. rain and rain
23rd hauled for Doris - -
Walter has the bilious fever
Harry has the bilious fever -
1st May 1855 yesterday - heavy thunder
showers - high wind - rained a sheet
for Pratt in morning -
4th stacked my wheat - rain again
5th heavy rain last night - had
time for grain - 6th returned
assessors Brooks to Peter
Dew from Town of Norton
27 days work - at 1.50 per
day \$ 40.50 = 11th worked
in house - went to Crin Beckett's
and settled - 12th the Emma has
a fever - rainy - 14th digging
my cellar - stacking my rent
wheat - showery -
the children about quite
sick - very sickly -
17th frost - 19th frost - yesterday
cold wind - and rain -
21st By rain storm -
very sickly - fevers and
agues - and cholera -
23rd finished my cellar -
William Phelps. has an
a visit -

1st Sept. very warm - Jennies starts for
Galesburg via Bloomington -
Uncle John Waters and Aunt Ann
on a visit - 14th Recd a letter
from Homer. And Jennies
Painted a show sign of
two Elk - On 15th paid
Hiram Clark 2.50 for myself
and 2.50 for Walter for Caddis
he and Giddings are to lecture
in Peria on Monday. also
a large Circus and Menagerie
there at the same time
got my kitchen - nearly finished
16th last night - a very heavy
thunder storm - 19th Ambrose
and wife - starts for Ohio -
rainy misty day -
29th recd a letter from
George W. Waters - California
Harry Waters visited here
30th clear and cool
1st Oct. work in the house. 3rd frost
Kelly frost - yesterday attended for funeral
of Calvin Wilson - 3rd funeral of Hattie
Waters also - two in our family died
7th last night a Kelly freeze - in
3/8 thick of the frozen - 10th
sold King 14 bu of wheat at 15 cts
\$ 2.10 - 11th Mr. Fredingers got
9 1/2 bu of wheat at 15 cts - has worked
1 1/2 days for day of wheat - 13th went
to Peria with a load of Apples -
got in 20 to 30 cts per bushel
14th Sunday breakfast with Ambrose
got back yesterday from Ohio
19th began plastering - beautiful
weather - 20th rainy day -
21st Sunday muggy - cleared up
cool -

22nd plastered house. rainy. —
23rd snow. storm ground white. winter
like. went to macking. to mill. — went
to 4 mills could get no grinding so buy
my grain back = 24th went to Cambridge and
came get it tomorrow. — 25th get my flour
merry. — plaster. — a new b. — Brandt &
rich with flour. — 30th built Walter
churney. — plastered up stairs —
thunder shower last night —
2nd finished plastering. —
5th last night. Walter had the Bellows
Cholera. rain storm. high wind —
very muddy. — 8th bought a
stove at Peoria gave 30.95 —
10th went to Peoria with the best
of my fall apples got 50 per bu.
12th thorough for Darius. —
16th finished thorough. had 160 bu.
oats 58 bu. wheat at 8 a & 3 ct
290 17th thunder shower last night
480 20th turned cold. — 21st turned very
cold last night. made 2 bbls cider
at Hancock's. 43 gal. —
23rd went to Peoria sold 2 bbls. cider
at 12th a gallon apples at 85 ct.
Nov. 26th paid for thorough 8.00
4th made 6 bbls cider — 5th went to
Peoria sold 5 bbls at 12th a gal.
to Lyon for 21.62 ct
6th went to Peoria with 2 bbls cider
got 21.11.00 dollar —
Rec^d a Deed from George A Waters
of town lots in Galesburg —
are to send him 450.00 —
7th began harvesting corn —
rainy of forenoon. — 8th rained all
day and night —
9th my Birth day. Sunday rings
hard cold. 10th two cold to put corn
12th warmer. — at night another rain
storm. — 19th Mr. Hughes died —
20th finished putting corn. warm
muddy. sent 100 to Chicago and
to Quincy — 22nd got horses shod
23rd turned dreadful cold. snow 23rd

24th 10° below zero - snow squally
25 Christmas. cold. snow squally
day - worked in my house -
26th 22° below zero - 27th killed Ambrose
hogs - 8° below - 29th snowed all day
30th 16° below zero - clear - snow fell
6 in deep - good sledding - Jan. 1: 1856
2nd killed hog for dinner 3rd 12° below
in the evening 20° below
4th extremely cold - 8th 16° below zero
at 11 o'clock 14° below with high wind
the coldest day this winter -
have been waiting a week for a day
warm enough to kill my hogs -
coldest winter for many years -
9th 23° below zero - clear at that
10th 20° below zero. Killed my hogs
11th took them to pioneer, got
\$105.90. sent \$45.00 to George M
Waters. 14th Election for School
Trustees. Charles Watson L. J. Soomer
in Charlotte Shopper were elected
sent \$2.00 for copies of Brother
Jonathan paid postage 6 months
in advance on 12 months a Pictorial
Rev 35 dollar of J Evans -
22nd 2° below zero - made snowballs
25th Junius was married to
Nannie Gillette, in Galisthurg
in the evening - sent them in P. M.
and brought the home. The
ran away - had a fine time
27th snow fell last night
from 9 in to a foot -
2nd Feb. wanted cornwell. very
cold froze my nose - it hurt
like 18° below zero -
3rd 30° below, no mist take
this will do - to stop at -
4th 22° below zero - and clear -
5th 24° below zero - and N.E.,
6th snow all day - 6 in
7th winter the Emmons -

8th 16th below zero frosty — 1856
9th 19th below zero — warm
towards night — cloudy —
get returns of Brother Jonathan
Bayer the year No 220 Vol XVI.
dated Feb. 2nd 1856 —
18th Feb. pleasant. slightly
getting poor in the sand —
20th warm and beautiful
snow going off —
26th visited 'Holmes'
warm and pleasant — 27th in
snow storm —
1st March. cold. 3rd 10th above
6th Bright 200 lb sugar at 9c.
\$18.00 in Buffalo robe \$7.00.
7th 'Good Club' visited here —
10th 6th below zero — sent 5 dollars
of Mr. Grimes — 12th Zero this
morning. Methodist held a
protracted meeting at Morton
18th Morey C. Brim heard —
Protracted meeting commenced last week
Monday — may conclude —
19th wrote a letter to Grimes —
23rd 22 persons 12 males and
10 females joined the Meth-
-odist church to day — at
Morton — 27th high wind
last night quite cold.
snow not gone yet —
31st Mar. very cold N.E. wind
19th degrees frost on the windows
5th made a hot bed, put
sweet potatoes to sprout,
12th Gilbert Cornwall died
of Typhoid fever, lost Mr.
Robison died of the same
very warm — 13th cold — froze
the barn over —

20th cold and very dry ---
21st 6° below freezing - repaired
school house -
25th brought Nannie home
from Plover very dark -
26th went to Plover to get her
examined - very windy, thunder
showers which was much
wanted - 29th began
plowing for corn - school
began yesterday the 29th
1st May - showery - had to quit
plowing - 6th layed off my corn
ground - rain yesterday and last
night - 7th began planting corn
cold and misty - 8th finished
clear and pleasant -
9th plowed old garden -
muddled some potatoes
Republican party meeting
11th set out sweet potatoes
12th Rainy day - children
and Nannie have the whooping
cough - 17th Rainy day
N.E. cold - 18th clear and pleasant
24th attended a mass meeting
of the Republican Party at Grand
25th heavy thunder shower
last night - must wait today
have to replant - I begin
tomorrow to replant corn -
28th finished replanting corn
26th took both mares to
Rhodes - 30th very
cold N.E. wind - I am
from my Ambros stable
1st June clear pleasant day - heard
Mr. Hurlburt of Atton, preach
30th quiet

June 5th Assessment for 1856

Horses	-	95
Cattle		45
Hogs	-	11
Wagon		75
Clark		2
money		6.50
all other		75
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\$ 2560.00

12th plowed my corn 2nd time
13th & 14th worked on Auburn
stable quite cool. great want
of rain. rather discouraging for
crops -

21st June extremely hard and
dry. to day a little shower
the first for a long time -
got news of Uncle Isaac's
death - he died on the 2nd
instant, of consumption -

last Thursday the 19th Republicans
held a mass meeting in Pekin

22nd fine shower - great
joy - extremely dry

25th another fine rain

got 11 bushels wheat grown
only 28 lbs to the bushel

Chicago Tribune for 25th

June 3rd No. 52

27th went to Home of the June

28th I am very sick to day cannot
set up 10 min at a time

End of June 1856 \$9.25 post
paid on a mortgage

1st July: called Dr Harris to see
him. have the Billies interested
from

12th Mr White died. —

visited Charles Waters —

18th Began haying in the Orchard
grass very light - great want of
rain - 28th fine rain, which was
very much needed, viz they were put
up. — Sept 1st went to Roma

saw a Balloon ascended -
let. Junius there \$4.00 —

Aug. 1st finished haying 2nd
sickening wheat —

7th Broke - some prairie - back
of my orchard —

18th Father & Hubron started
east. I helped Harry Campbell
thresh. heavy thunder shower
with hail - 26th first frost.

no mistake - 27th threshed for State
school closed. 28th Junius & Mary

started for Galisburg - very dusty
loaned Junius \$25.00 -
loaned Father \$10.00

30th another frost —

The school Descent over Junius
wife for teaching 4 1/2 months and 1 day
\$54.60 - due me for board \$36.40

1st Sept cut and hauled timber
for my new house - 2nd raised
the new house - 3rd visited Dea,

Morse in elm Grove —
very dry & dusty —

6th & 7th Rain raised my wells
clear off fine - 16th Sept. down

my threshing had 19 bu wheat and
160 bu oats - very warm weather.

20th first killing frost —
visit - Dama in Groveland

wells all going dry —
yesterday found Harry for Harry
Campbell. he owes 1 1/2 days work

18th wood cut. 21st ice frozen
22nd sowed wheat - frozen with cold

28th Oct. Sunday windy cold — 1850
 father got home from the east on
 Friday — 1st Oct. snow flakes
 yesterday and last night —
 began gathering apples —
 9th attended a Republican mass
 meeting in Peoria. heard Lincoln
 and Senator Freehall —
 Morton obtained the silk Bonnet
 very dry people have to draw
 water from some creek in
 woods — what will become of us
 18th Oct. Began harvesting corn
 extremely dry wheat season
 3 weeks rain not up people
 have draw water from some
 creek — 22nd went to Peoria
 got Bonds & Ali pictures
 taken — and Mrs and myself
 gave \$5.00 — 23rd made
 cider. 4 1/2 bbls rainy. Little
 24th rained all night and most of
 the day. for which we are all
 thankful, my wheat I hope
 now will come up —

Rd on Nary's school Bill	
54.60 am	to Sun. m 25.60
29.70	do. 4
24.90	still due m. 29.00

1st Nov. picked 2 loads of corn
 Douglass spikes in Peoria
 common fine all day —
 2nd another fine rain — 60 —
 4th Election day great excitement
 Fremont. Buchanan & Fillmore
 first snow ground white
 5th snow not all gone —
 6th Butchered a beef —
 7th took beef to Peoria — rainy
 day. got wet through. turned
 to shut and snow —
 8th cold 16° M. Sun 9° 13° A.M.
 9th went to Peoria sent letter
 to S. G. for Almonacks and to Junius

Mr. Dymon J. Leonis, horses got
frightened on the Bridge by the locomotives
and backed off the bridge and nearly
or quite killed himself on a horse

21st heavy rain storm

22nd finished putkey corn

23 commenced at Beacon Street

John Ali christened - 25th rainy

30th cool South wind cloudy

1st Dec. commenced a big rain storm

2nd rain all last and to day -

3rd turned cold 4th 4th above zero

5th very cold got my horses shod

6th down to 3rd - clear

9th Birth day 49 yrs. old -

visited H. B. Waters

10th rain all day 11th ground

white with snow

13th another heavy snow & rain storm

all day and night - 14th cold and icy

18th sold my hags. 9 - at 500 ps had

come to 95, 35

20th rainy day. full ship for

London - 21st very cold 4th above zero

22nd 4th below zero high wind

23rd 9th below zero

25th pleasant. Jack Clark

and Sarah visited us - 27th

rainy day - again

1st Jan. 1857

Clear and pleasant. arrived

here to start for Galusha

3rd 16th below zero + started for Galus-

bury. froze my nose - at 3 o'clock

arrived at Galusha - 4th below

Mr. Tyler present and Dr. Beecher

kind Mr. Beecher play with

mine - 5th visited around and

6th ice on house very cold very

day - 7th went to Backwoods

12th sent 200 for Cog. Herald & 1 yr

paid postage to Putnam & Herald

15th 13° blow by. coldest yet
lost. Ambrose youngs child
died. Mr Bruce wife died
15th Alora. & Mr. Bruce
buried here - snow storm
18th 18° blow by - at Bud
town, down to 12° below

21st W. 50. or 4. Breeze

21st at night. 12° below

22nd very cold all day

got a load of coal for the
school house - which makes
2 loads of 15 bu. 120-120 & 2, 41

26th after a long snow cold
spell. it turned moderate
and rained - 28th clear pretty
day. I cut wood in the wood.

1st Feb. Sunday Mr. Farnham
and Junius are here.

4th they left for Gatesburg
raining in the afternoon

5th thunder showers

8th cleared off cold. a great
rain storm the river getting
quite high. bridges injured

10th 6° below - 7th 6°

down - went to Penna -

12th got at Abraxas Beck
visited Mr. Wright

14th rainy day

15 - 16 - 17 - 18th rainy every
day - and how much longer
no one knows

19th 20th snowed all
day - a whole week
stormy - 28th it froze
pretty hard last night
roads are worse than
we have ever known

no mail for three weeks —
8th down to zero — snow storm
5 in deep — 9th Election for judge
50 above zero — 10th 10° below zero
drew wood — turned women —
12th 8 below zero, took first
load of corn to market got 33¹/₂
cts — \$10⁸⁸/₁₀₀ 17th rain storm
Zachary Harry & Charles and wife
rented house — 22nd heavy thunder
showers — such roads oh! never
mention it. — Mar 30th went
to Pierre got 25¢ for Butter
and 12¹/₂¢ for eggs — very thick
mud — the roads have been worse
than ever known — got sweet
potatoes paid at the rate of \$5.00
per bu. — 1st Apr. cold weather
5th Apr. rain storm turned cold
sunday 4° below freezing — had to
cover up sweet pigs —
6th 14° above zero — and high
wind N.W. — hard for grass to
grow — 10th went to Gibson's left
100. dollars in gold there — rainy and
snow — 11th 11° below freezing — a light rain
Borrowed \$64.00 of Hasmah &
Clark — 15th 13° above zero and
high wind at that — discouraged
hens — 17th snow storm —
18th snow 6 in deep — greatest
snow storm this winter — some
have sowed spring wheat and
it rotted. fall wheat all killed
20th Apr. another rain storm, went
to Pierre — Deposited 59 dollars with
Curtis — and took a chuck Beck —
27th sowed spring wheat
have to feed cattle yet —
28th grafted for Darius —
30th cut corn stalks. rain storm

Aug. 7ⁿ bound oats for Indiana
looks like rain - 8ⁿ rain still
finished harvest, oats for Indiana
11ⁿ lost night a heavy shower
plenty wet now - harvest
14ⁿ finished harvest - raining
15ⁿ Jimmie and Nancy come home
16ⁿ lost night a dreadful
rainy night a real flood
fears that the wheat will
be ruined in the shocks -
22ⁿ the county voted 100,00
dollars for the Iowa & Petersburg
rail road - 26ⁿ Jimmie and Nancy
started home - corn worth 60 cts
29ⁿ finish stacking for Indiana
31ⁿ Sept. 1857 cold mornings -
I went to Maine to acknowledge a
deed of town lots in Galusha
1st Sept. warmer, rainy day for
Mike. Sept. 5ⁿ mailed Jimmie
5 cts to him. finished stacks for
Mike 20 cts. 8ⁿ Sept. went to
Iowa took Mrs. Todd home
to 40 cts wheat to 55 cts apples
a dozen - I got 75 cts for some
11ⁿ Sept. finish - heavy, very warm
day before yesterday 21-9ⁿ subscribed
by vote 50 dollars to Chicago
Theological seminary in annual
instalments of 10 dollars - payable
1st Jan. annually - 17ⁿ and 18ⁿ
county fair - plowing for winter
range 21st State fair at Nevada
to continue 5 days - rainy still -
22ⁿ first frost. 23ⁿ killed the weeds. did not kill
the corn - attended the State
fair - 24ⁿ went to the State
fair again - 25ⁿ sowed 4 bu
winter wheat - 30ⁿ began cutting
up corn - 1st Oct. took a load
of corn to Nevada for Darius
The Banks all broken

16th Election of School Trustees
began gathering apples-

17th I brookd my grain had 41 bu
wheat ad 258 bu. oats cost \$9.64
old Mr. Hardy buried today-

20th first killing frost - 11th
threshing for Walker

23rd finished threshing for W. B. R.

27th Henry Burkhens and wife
visiting here and Aunt Betty

Henry Synner and wife

28th cold and stormy

31st finished picking cider apples

perhaps went after butter into ga 8 bu

2nd school began H. J. Burkhens
and wife started home

6th finished digging potatoes - 7th rainy
day - N. C. Feltner & wife got home from
Chadage - with each of the car-

riages - 14th cold day went to
Ponia took a few Apples down
a lot of sheeping -

left a crock Butter for Judge
Powell - weight crock and all
28 1/2 lb. at 25 ct to be paid
when used out - 18th made
5 bbl cider - 18th went to Ponia
sold 1 bbl to Spruiks 41 gals,
at 15 ct - \$6.15 on credit

and 2 lbs to Schwing - on
Clay St. \$10.85 to A. Schwing

1 lb. to Solomon - red pay out
lb. to be returned - 19th rain
very cold, heavy snow and
got a load of corn and frozen

Two of my fingers - 20 14th above
zero - 22nd snow storm
4 in. deep 23rd down to two
drew corn feed over - on sled

24th 10th below zero 24th 7th below
26th Thanksgiving day - finished
hauling corn stalks - 28th snow
going off - south wind

1st Dec - warm gathering corn

7th great rain storm N.E. mud mud.
9th B. with day clear and cool
puck^d com. very muddy.
15th sold E. A. Pawel 18 1/2 lb
Butter at 25 1/2¢. 4.62 1/2
sent a barrel of apples to James
16th surveyed the Grove yard
22nd cold weather - 23rd very
cold 25th had company
31st killed hogs -

1st Jan. 1858

took my hogs to Provia -
got 4 dollars per hundred -
2nd went to Groveland sent \$2
for the Pictorial by grove
4th killed hogs for Darius
very warm weather and had
here for several weeks -
bad time for fresh meat -
lost Saturday sent for the
Pictorial for A B R and
myself - 6th paid \$37.00
the W B R on my Note -
10th windy, rainy day S.E. and -
11th got a barrel of cider made
Jan 21st paid A B R \$5.00
for 10 bu wheat when called for
25th very warm after a rain
storm - a remarkable
warm winter - so far
27th visited Charles Cornwells
very warm and horrid roads
28th turned cold at last -
and snow squalls all day
paid W B R \$10.00
1st Feb. visited school snow
storm awful roads 4th -
5th paid Postage on Pictorial
26th - got a pig of Emma at \$5
8th snow storm 3rd days -
9th visited Paul Clarke
10th 15th below zero - clear
at last, 27 below zero -

12th 18° below the freezing. arose
to 40 when they the day
went to Peoria with Desires
13th went to Trenton to mill
with 10½ bu wheat 1½ of corn
14th N.E. snow storm
18th went for my great to Trenton
great snow storm: visited Charles
Waters. 19th still snowing - this time
will be deep in the woods.
20th 8° below zero storm over
snow over a foot deep
22th 12° below zero clear wind N.W.
23th 22° below zero - wind south
25th went to Galena with Ann:
and Father, arrived at half past ten
26th made several calls - visited uncle
John Waters, 28th at about 7 o'clock
Father got up as well as usual
smoked his pipe - was taken
with the heart disease and fell
down dead without a struggle
1st Nov.
28th returned home with the corpse
29th 2nd Nov., had funeral services
given by Mr. Smith - snow squalls
Charles & Pitta & wife visited
here 3rd 10° below zero - Pitta started
for home - Dec. 9th paid postage
on Harper's magazine for one
year. 26 cents - rec'd 15 Cts.
12th I was taken sick yesterday
Robins Richard are taken about
the mumps in the neighborhood
very warm and pleasant
16th rain storm - began yesterday to
work on Davis House. 17th Equinoctial
storm rain all day again
20th rainy day - 21st cool
and pleasant
25th finished shingling Davis House
worn weather - set out Cherry trees
27th went to Peoria - with butter
got 18 ct - eggs 7 ct - corn 24 -
oats 25 potatoes 16c wheat 50c

31st Mar. ¹⁸⁵⁸ put Sweet Potatoes in
a hot bed - sowed spring wheat
yesterday - cutting corn stalks for oats
set out red Raspberries - cloudy
Apr. 1st 1858 a little rain but my
a sale at Ogles - today -
6th Election cold S.E. wind
7th rainy day - from S.E. -
11th - great rain - hail & 4
streams swimming - water piled up
17th - piled brush - all day. yesterday
finished my wood pile - 18 rainy night
no plowing can be done discouraged
ground full of water -
20th heavy rain last night and
raining to day - two weeks tomorrow
since the rain began - some farmers
have not sowed any yet - discouraging
time for farmers -
21st fresh from - pleasant day
after 2 weeks rain storm
23rd set posts around grove yard
24th stoked pasture fence -
25th 8° below freezing - look out for
frost - 26th 10° below freezing
27th began plowing for oats
29th sowed oats
31st Apr. visited - old Clarke
very warm - heavy thunder shower
a great flood - 1st May 1858
raining all night - discouraging time
for farmers many have not sowed
oats - and the ground full of water
2nd rain - 3rd rain 4th rain last
night - chased off worms - at night
looks like rain again - tried
to sow grass seed this morning
5th rain all day again - oh dear!
10th been sick a week with
the mumps - people beginning to
plow for corn - looks like
rain again - not plowed any
in my garden yet
12th - planted potatoes in garden
13th - terrible thunder shower
with hail & wind -

14th went to River found a house
- the destruction of property - every
staple blown down - houses
unroofed - chimneys blown down
steam Boats destroyed - and
6 lives lost - The town of
Cruzer entirely destroyed
13th rain storm again - what
will become of us ???
16th rain all night - and all day
nothing but rain & water
18th white frost - cleared off at last
19th another rain storm - oh? dear?
took sue to Mr. Emersons -
oh? what roads. horrid ???
21st frost - cut my corn stalks
22nd began plowing for corn
23rd thunder showers as usual
24th rainy - 25th worse than ever
rains harder - what will become of
us ??? 26th cleared off - for a day or
two perhaps - 28th thunder showers again
Deacon Bascom was buried last
monday or tuesday - 30th tremendous
heavy rain with thunder oh? dear?
1st June 1858 clear and warm
finished plowing for corn all that
is dry enough - 2nd rainy day again
the river is higher than ever known
and still rising - great fears for
the Bridge it runs over the embankment
3rd rain - worse than ever -
4th cloudy 5th began planting corn
planted field potatoes - set out
cabbages - looks like rain - 6th clear
and cool hope there is a change in the
weather - 8th another rain 9th and
yet another - went to Emersons for cabbage
plants - 10th last night the greatest rain
yet - my cow yard fence washed away
looks like a rainy day - 12th rain
13th pleasant - sunny - 15th went to Pick
to an old settle meeting saw the
oldest and first settle in La Grange Co
Mr. Eades 78 - an Ex. Fellow I said that
aged 85 - had a good time

19th went to Plover with notes
with my colts for the first time
got 3800 corn 35¢ wheat 52¢
saw several plenty corn gets
23rd still planting corn —
gets down to 26th — 24th began
plowing corn — very warm and dry —
25th — H Philips Assessor

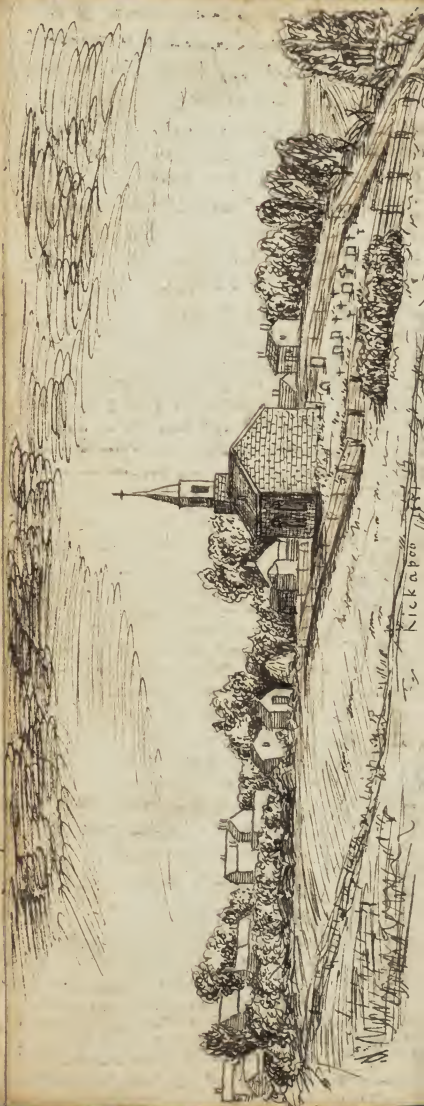
Horses	155,	Waggons	30,
Cows	54,	Calk	1,
Hogs	5,	all other prop	850
		Household	75

Total \$ 1170,
Land " 1763, 1858
2933,

26th visited Mr. Sanders — went of rain
fall all rusty 29th went to Plover
Jennie & Nans corn house
30th planted potatoes & beans
saw turnips — a little shower
great want of rain —

1st July 1858 began plowing
warm. 2nd time — 2nd went to a fair
at Cherry Water — little boy
died last night — a very heavy
rain — water very high —
5th began haying grass very heavy
7th thunder showers — hauled in 3 loads
hay — looked at Sockwoods which
found it not worth cutting — my
colts all rusty and good for nothing
such a complete failure in crops
we never saw before — every thing
fouled but hay — I shall have
to buy bread stuff for the coming
year — 8th heavy rain last
night and to day — all afloat
again got a lot of hay down
18th Bortholomew in St. Sackin
out — weather better
at evening a very heavy thunder shower
all afloat again — have 100 casks of
hay out — 20th rain day again
24th stacked hay for Sockwood —
25th clear in evening

28th finished plowing corn & turn
began toshelling - yesterday drove
potatoes bags off - thunder shower
29th rain all night - and heavy
showers today - wheat and oats
all lost - small have to buy feed
glowing turn - for every one -
31st yesterday visited Hancock
thence this morning, expect rain
expected to have gone to Plover
31st = went to Plover worn
1st Aug. 1858 very warm -
attended church Mr. Smith
preached - 2nd mowed wheat
for D. R. Robt - 3rd heavy thunder
showers - as usual - no end to the rain
4th very hot - 5th 97° in the shade
6th worked the road - mosquitoes so
bad - no sleep for any one -
road tax ~~3.56~~ 3.26 - 6th 47° works
the road - 8th extremely hot for several
days - 97° - thunder showers in sight
every day - 12th finished haying -
13th = thunder showers - have been killing
potatoes bugs - are very bad - very hot
14th Republican mass meeting at Mount
19th took load corn to Plover
got 50 cts - Lincoln spoke
there - Republican convention
20th got - 57 cts for corn -
23rd - went to quarterly meeting
heard Eldon Sackett - afternoon
heard Mr. Rybolt -
good deal sickness about
24th cool nights - some say there
was a frost this morning - very
dusty - getting quite dry -
25th frost again - finished haying corn
26th great rain storm - glad of it
28th Mary started for Galesburg
to school - with Edwin - gloomy
misty day quite cool - Barrie has
the eye - 30th Republican convention
at Mount - Lincoln & Kellogg spoke
cool weather - 31st clear cool -
1st Sept. don't feel well - 2nd Luskwood
began sowing wheat - 3rd rain - with
thunder - I was some sick -



St. Peter's Church
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Nickapoo

Cistern Depth

3 ft. 5 ft. 10 ft. 12 ft.

3 ft.	132	220	541	524
4 ft.	235	323	786	943
5 ft.	368	514	1228	1473
6 ft.	530	884	1768	2121
7 ft.	721	1203	2406	2887
8 ft.	792	1571	3142	3770
9 ft.	1193	1988	3977	4772
10 ft.	1972	2454	4909	5890
11 ft.	1782	2970	5940	7158
12 ft.	2120	3534	7069	8482



Knoxville M.
Tenn.

1851

Robins Nest. Jubilee College

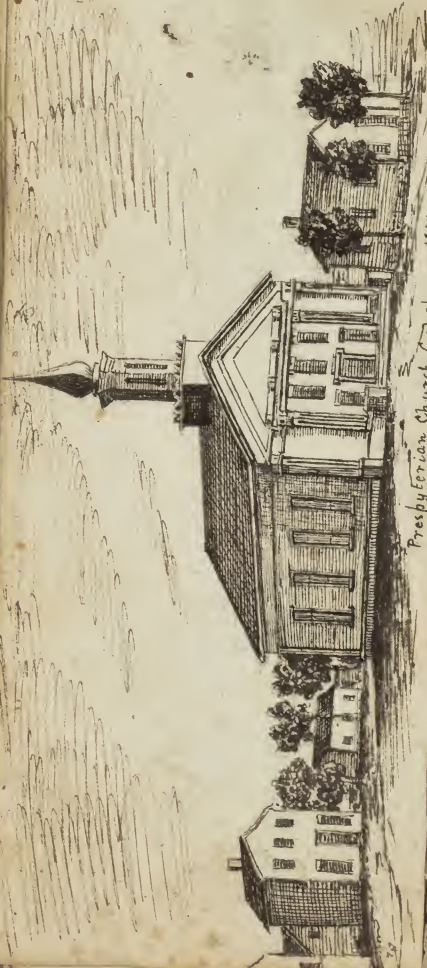


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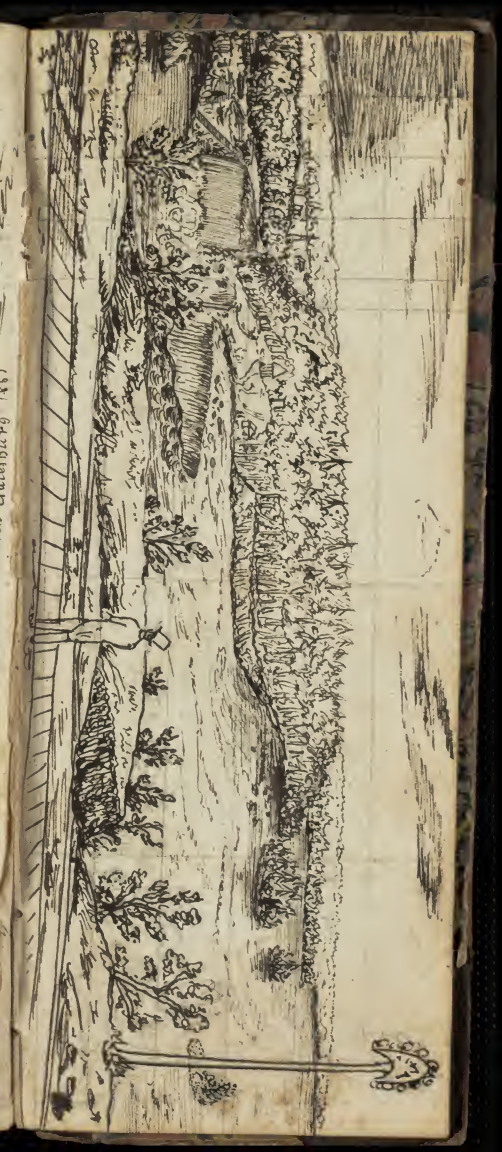
A. Packard

~~to 15 bushels potatoes - at 60 -~~
~~1/2 doz. chickens - at 150 -~~

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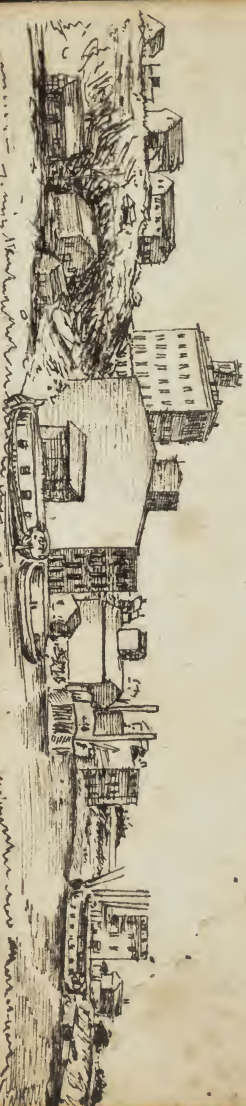


Presbyterian Church Galesburg, Iowa





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A. J. Davis receipts - in Superior condition

Cold feet

Take 4 copper plates as thick as sheet tin
copper plate - from the toes to the center
line from the heel to the center - and
clasp together, and fasten to the bottom
of the foot - and wear -

Tooth work

Gum guaiacum andorris-root of each
one ounce, camphor gum a tea spoon.
put them into a pt. of Brandy
let the mixture infuse 10 days and filter
gradually through a cloth into a smaller
vessel wash and cleanse the teeth once
in 24 hours - and bloody and decayed
gums will be healed - tooth aches felt

Chinese Cement

Dissolve best orange shellac in a gentle heat
in sufficient alcohol to make it when cool
retain the fluid form - Apply this cement to
the edges of the fractured vessel then set it at
fire and when done burning join the pieces

to prepare Ragon

smear zone strap on one side then
with olive oil sprinkle immediately a little
of ointment smooth it down with a kn
let it dry half a day - draw zone
over this a few times - then smooth it on
other side -

Cure for Hæmorrhoids

Take $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. rosin $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. sulphur
 $\frac{1}{8}$ lb. salt peter - pulverize and mix
give a table spoon full 3 mornings
skip 3 or on till 9 doses are given
give it in his feed -

Cure for Batto

$\frac{1}{2}$ pt. vinegar $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. soft soap. $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. gin
 $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. molasses - well shaken together
poured down while foaming -

Cure for Cholera

1 table spoon of salt. 1 tea spoon of Cayenne
pepper in a $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. hot water - give it
dose -

Expenses of Irving to N. York.

BR.	by	by -	from -	.25
		lodging		50
J. M. R.	by	fare to LaSalle		5.00
J. M. R.		fare at Darling house		2.00
J. M. R.	"	fare to Chicago		8.00
		Boat Black 18 is		
J. M. R.	to	from to St. affals		18.00
		discount Wisconsin, 18		
		at -		2.
		at -		13
BR	at	1 - ant 1000		50
J. M. R.	for	to the falls		2.50
J. M. R.	to	the Bridge		.75
		current		3 1/4
J. M. R.	supper	2 meals		.75
J. M. R.	to	from to Rochester by		
J. M. R.	to	from to New York		1.00
		swing -		.25
J. M. R.	fare to	London		6.00
		Baynes show		.25
		Boat Black		10
J. M. R.	from	N. Jordan & Allen		1.00
		Hk. colls		1.70
J. M. R.	musium			50
J. M. R.	for	to the Hay Corner		.75
		cake & Room		.12
J. M. R.	carriage			20.50
		shells 1.00		
		crackers 4		
J. M. R.	to	Lyons		2.20
J. M. R.	from	Lyons to Buffalo		1.50
J. M. R.	do	Chicago		15.00
		piers		3.15
		Boat Black		5
		dinner		2.5
		land g		2

Antidote for poisons.

Nitric acid - - - - - calcined magnes
 Oxalic acid - - - - - chalk
 Corrosive sublimate - - - white of eggs
 Tartar Emetic - - - strong tea of young Hyg
 or oak bark -
 copper vessels }
 protide of copper } - - - white of eggs

Cure for Consumption
an Indian remedy

Take sorrel put a layer in a crock
 then a layer of loaf sugar then so
 then sugar alternately until filled
 then a thin crust of dough cover
 like a pie - put it in a kettle
 so the water comes up near the top
 and boil a few hours then put
 it in a hot oven and bake it
 it will then be like wine which
 take about a tea spoon full 3 or 4
 times a day as the patient can be

Excellent
Eye water of Inflammation
of the eyes.

Take sweet Elder blossoms in steep
 in water and wash your eyes with
 it several times a day,

6 ^m	Best Black	10	
6 ^m	Strong	10	
6 ^m	Bark	25	20
2 1/2	per 4 Lbs		1 1/2
1 1/2	do		5 00
1 1/2	do		20
1 1/2	per 12 passage to Placenta	5 0	
	3 1/2	1 5 0	
	crude	6	
	Bottle & cover	30	

For the World are 3,424 Languages known
937 in Asia. 587 in Europe 276 in Africa
1,624 in America

Spanish 20,000 words — English 22,000 do.
25,000 in Latin — 30,000 in French —
45,000 in Italian — 50,000 in Greek —
80,000 German

The English Language has. 6,621 Latin
words. 4361 French — 2860 Saxon — 660 Greek
229 Italian 117 German — 111 Welsh — 83
Spanish — 81 Danish — 18 Arabic — with
several words from the Pictish, Gothic
Hebrew, Swedish, Portuguese, Flemish
Runic, Egyptian, Persian, Cimbric,
and Chinese — The Welsh is the poorest
corrupted of the 14 vernacular languages
of Europe, and the worst, being confined
and abounding in gutturals

The 24 letters of the Alphabet can
be transposed 620,448,401,733,239,439,260,000

Arithmetical figures were borrowed by
the Arabians from the Brahmans who
were much skilled in the knowledge of
numbers — The Arabians before that time
made use of letters to count with

Cholera pills

℞ opium 1 gr. Camphor 3 grs Opium
made into a pill & 3 taken in the
course of 24 hours

Aromatic Rhubarb Syrup

Take 2 oz. Rhubarb put into a pint
of boiling water 2 parts of Loaf sugar
one of water by weight then boil it down
to Syrup

Dr. Roberts' Medicamentum

1 gal. Whiskey
1 oz. allers
1 " Rhubarb
1 " Ginger
1 pt. molasses
8 drop oil peppermint

Weights and Measures.

At the recent session of the Illinois Legislature, a law was passed, regulating weights and measures in the State, where no special contract shall be made to the contrary. It provides as follows:

The weight of shelled corn shall be fifty six pounds per bushel.

The weight of corn in the ear shall be seventy pounds per bushel.

The weight of wheat shall be sixty pounds per bushel.

The weight of rye shall be fifty six pounds per bushel.

The weight of oats shall be thirty two pounds per bushel.

The weight of barley shall be forty eight pounds per bushel.

The weight of Irish potatoes shall be sixty pounds per bushel.

The weight of sweet potatoes shall be fifty five pounds per bushel.

The weight of white beans shall be sixty pounds per bushel.

The weight of castor beans shall be forty six pounds per bushel.

The weight of clover seed shall be sixty pounds per bushel.

The weight of timothy seed shall be forty five pounds per bushel.

The weight of flax seed shall be fifty six pounds per bushel.

The weight of hemp seed shall be forty four pounds per bushel.

The weight of blue grass seed shall be fourteen pound sper bushel.

The weight of buckwheat shall be forty two pounds per bushel.

The weight of dried peaches shall be thirty two pounds per bushel.

The weight of dried apples shall be twenty four pounds per bushel.

The weight of onions shall be fifty seven pounds per bushel.

The weight of salt shall be fifty pounds per bushel.

The weight of stone coal shall be eighty pounds per bushel.

The weight of malt shall be thirty eight pounds per bushel.

The weight of bran shall be twenty pounds per bushel.

The weight of turnips shall be fifty five pounds per bushel.

The weight of plastering hair shall be eight pounds per bushel.

The weight of unslacked lime shall be eighty pounds per bushel.

The weight of corn meal shall be forty eight pounds per bushel.

The weight of fine salt shall be fifty pounds per bushel.

All laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the above are repealed.

Ok over this from childhood's hour

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Abner Mitchell to 6 bu wheat for Huker - 6 bu
for son - 3 1/2

Let Mr. Pinner
1 bush Butter - 24 lb - \$ 2.75
1 lb .. 25 .. 2.75
The Buchanan - 23 3/4
H. E. ... 16 lb ... 25 1/2

Rev. D. Lane

WRIGHTS AND MEASURES.—The following table of the number of pounds of various articles to a bushel, may be of interest to our readers:	
Of wheat, 60 pounds.	1.76
Of shelled corn, 56 pounds.	3.18
Of corn on the cob, 70 pounds.	1.80
Of rye, 56 pounds.	1.82
Of oats, 36 pounds.	2.8
Of barley, 46 pounds.	8.4
Of potatoes, 60 pounds.	
Of beans, 60 pounds.	
Of bran, 20 pounds.	
Of clover seed, 60 pounds.	
Of timothy seed, 45 pounds.	50
Of flax seed, 45 pounds.	
Of hemp seed, 44 pounds.	
Of buckwheat, 52 pounds.	
Of blue grass seed, 14 pounds.	
Of castor beans, 46 pounds.	
Of dried peaches, 33 pounds.	
Of dried apples, 24 pounds.	
Of onions, 57 pounds.	
Of salt, 50 pounds.	

MR. SLOW DISCOURSETH ON GRAVE TOPICS.—“Bimlech, my son,” said Mr. Slow, shaking his head with oracular and owl-like profundity, “it isn’t well to know too much, my boy; your father never did: he knowed too much for that. Thoughts is perplexin’, and the human mind, Bimlech, is too precious a thing to be wore out with too much friction. Don’t abuse the gifts of nater, my son, ’cause nater’s one of ’em, she is. Don’t inwestigat anything new, my boy, ’cause there’s a thousand old things of more konsense to look arter—the first of which is number one. New notions perplexes the mind, dear—there’s full enough fools in the world who like to look after such things, without your troubling your precious head head about ’em—’twouldn’t be a cent of benefit to you. Call ’em all humbug and moonshine, and them as believes ’em lunatics and scoundrels, and that’ll save you many a discussion, and give you a character for aligaty and prudence, and prudent folks makes money. Philosophy and sciens, and them things, is humbugs, and everything is a humbug but money. Mind I tell ye.” Mr. Slow ceased, overcame by his own eloquence.

Dec. 6 1854
By an entry on my 35 bu wheat

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770

33 1/2

803 1/2

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